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HALIFAX GOES TO FOREIGN OFFICE

OPPOSITION TO DEMAND DEBATE ON APPOINTMENT

Complications Likely As Result of New Foreign Policy

EGYPTIANS WANT NO AID FROM ITALY AT SUEZ

London, Feb. 25.
It is officially announced that Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council, has been appointed Foreign Secretary in succession to Mr. Anthony Eden. Mr. R. A. Butler has been appointed Under-Secretary, succeeding Viscount Cranborne.

Following the appointment of Lord Halifax as Foreign Secretary, it is understood that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Premier, is dealing with all important aspects of foreign affairs in the House of Commons.

Mr. Lennox Boyd has been appointed in Mr. Butler's place in the Ministry of Labour.

The Opposition has indicated that a full House of Commons debate on Lord Halifax's appointment will be demanded, both Mr. Clement Attlee and Mr. Wedgwood Benn making it clear that they felt strongly that the Foreign Secretary should be a mem-

GOES TO KEY CABINET POST



VISCOUNT HALIFAX,

who has served in many high offices in the Government, takes over the duties of Foreign Secretary, the most arduous of any in the Cabinet at this time.

ber of the House of Commons instead of the House of Lords.
A debate on the subject will probably take place next week.

Von Ribbentrop To Go To London

London, Feb. 25.
Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, former German Ambassador to Britain, and now Foreign Minister, will shortly visit London to bid farewell to friends and the staff of the German Embassy.

It is understood he will see Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, but it is not indicated that there will be anything more than a friendly conversation.

MR. EDEN UTTERS WARNING

History May Prove Government Wrong

London, Feb. 25.
Speaking at Leamington, Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, explained his reasons for resigning and emphatically denied the suggestion that it was due to some extent to ill-health. He said his decision had been taken because of the conviction that no other course was open to him. He was more than ever convinced that the decision was a right one.

The course the Government had chosen indicated the sincerity of its desire to reach an agreement, but it was not necessarily a wise judgment of international affairs. He could not help feeling that it was perfectly possible to stand firm and obtain the same results, if they were obtained, without the risks attending the present course.

He was deeply anxious as to whether it would be an agreement on a solid basis, or an agreement, if they could get it, regardless of the basis.

The Government's decision had been made, and Parliament had endorsed it. The Government must go ahead and he sincerely wished it success. He stood by every word he had said in the House of Commons. He definitely formed the opinion last week-end that the meaning of certain communications he received from a foreign Government was "now or never." His view was not changed, but he was prepared to press his colleagues on this important issue of interpretation, for he did not believe it to be in national interest of publishing relevant documents at present, and he was content to await the verdict of history.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Chakentia, Asian, President Grant, Chenango, Pluton, Plavine, Hakozaki, Maru, Norviken, Victoria, and Empress of Russia.

Raiders Spent Three Hours Over Formosa

JAPANESE REPORTS RIDICULED

Kidnapping Of Priests Story Said To Be Fabrication

Hankow, Feb. 26.
Commenting on the Shanghai Japanese spokesman's allegation that Chinese guerrilla troops had kidnapped Spanish priests at Suifu and had taken them to Hefei, a Chinese spokesman said yesterday:

"The Japanese spokesman's geography and his idea of our dispositions are both absurd. In the first place, Hefei cannot be reached so quickly from Suifu. Secondly Hefei is garrisoned by regular troops and not guerrillas. The report is an obvious fabrication."

Commenting on the Japanese spokesman's remark that religious bodies in China were restricted and harassed as a result of the amalgamation of the Kuomintang and the Communists, the Chinese spokesman said:

"Foreign religious bodies help China in her struggle and care for the wounded and homeless. You yourselves have seen the prayer meetings for China's victory."

It is noteworthy that Commander Chu Teh of the Eighth Route Army, moved to the "Red Napoleon" attended the French Catholic victory prayer meeting in Shansi on February 10.—United Press.

Anglo-Eire Talks Make Slow Progress

London, Feb. 25.
The present stage of the Anglo-Eire trade discussions at the Dominions Office were adjourned without having concluded examination of the trade questions.

It is stated in British circles that although the trade talks occupied the greater part of the time, owing to the great amount of detail involved, discussion on all subjects under review was still proceeding.

Although it is too soon to forecast the success of the talks, it is regarded as a hopeful sign that Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are returning to London to resume the discussions next Thursday.

EIRE MINISTERS RETURN

London, Feb. 25.
Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are going back to Dublin tomorrow as their presence is required in connection with internal affairs. They will return to London on Wednesday, and discussions with the United Kingdom will be resumed on Thursday.

During to-day, Ministers of the governments of Eire and the United Kingdom had been discussing questions relating to the trade agreement. During the absence of the Ministers of Eire discussions between officials of the two governments will continue.

Mr. De Valera arrived in London last Saturday, but opening of the talks, fixed for Monday was delayed by parliamentary calls.

Mr. De Valera's resignation.—British Wireless.

TOKYO WARNING NOT ACCEPTED BY AMERICANS

Hull Holds Japanese Responsible For Any Injuries

Washington, Feb. 25.
Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary for State, stated to-day that the United States refused to accept Japan's warning to Americans to leave Central China, and specially to mark their property.

He said a straightforward note had been presented to Japan declaring that Japan would be held responsible for any injury to Americans or damage to their property.

Mr. Hull added that the United States had advised nationals to leave voluntarily, certain areas in China, and this advice was being observed.

THIS IS REAL WARFARE



Just as the insurgent troops swept into sight below, the camera-man, in this tale of snipers, snapped Loyalist soldiers coming into action. Now the Loyalists are no longer at Tserui, though they lost 10,000 killed and 10,000 prisoners in fighting round about the place, according to latest insurgent despatches. Herbert L. Matthews, New York Times correspondent, took this picture.

CHINESE LAUNCH NEW DRIVE ON CHUNGYI; CROSS YELLOW RIVER

Chinese reinforcements have crossed the Yellow River and are launching a counter-offensive on Chungyi, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 18 kilometres from the north bank of the river, where brisk fighting is in progress, according to the latest advices received from the front.

The Japanese right wing in northern Honan is still massed at Fengchiu, 18 miles north of Kaifeng. Small batches of troops have been sent out to scout the north bank of the Yellow River there. But so far they have not yet made any attempt to cross the river.

The Japanese left wing is scattered at Tsiyuan, Hwai-king, Wushe and Menghsien.—Central News.

Round Up Of Japanese

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Chinese forces in eastern Shansi are launching an enveloping attack on the Japanese troops which have reached Changteh, Changtze and Tuntai, from three directions, the west, south and north, a military report received here states.

On the Tatum-Pukow Railway the Chinese forces have succeeded in repulsing the Japanese attack on Liang-tuchen, north of Lingshih, whilst west of the railway the Chinese troops are still holding out against each other at Shuangchih-chen, about 120 miles south-west of Taiyuan.—Central News.

Japanese Land At Lukang

Tsingyang, Anhwei, Feb. 26.
Fighting on the Wuhu front has been intensified after the arrival of Japanese reinforcements.

Under a protective barrage from some 10 Japanese warships in the Yangtze River, 2,000 Japanese troops landed at Sanchanchen, and Heng-shankiao west of Lukang yesterday morning. Heavy fighting is now going on these points.—Central News.

Japanese And Koreans Captured

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Forty Japanese soldiers and 20 Korean irregulars were captured recently by a Chinese mobile unit during a surprise attack on Yangyin station on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 21 kilometres south of Changteh. They are being escorted to the rear.—Central News.

TREASURY BILLS TENDERS

London, Feb. 26.
The total amount applied for in tenders for £4,000,000 Treasury Bills was £77,250,000. The average rate per cent. for bills at three months was 10/11/2, and against 10/1/4 at a week ago.—British Wireless.

CHINESE AIR FORCE NOW STRONG ENOUGH TO TAKE OFFENSIVE

Nanchang Watches Combats As Three Enemy Raiders Plunge to Earth Aflame

Hankow, Feb. 26.
It is definitely felt that Chinese aerial strength is now sufficient not only effectively to defend, but also to attack. Further information of Formosa raids indicated that the Chinese bombers spent almost three hours over the island and destroyed planes and hangars at Matsuyama and a large power station at Shinjiku.

Chinese and foreign pilots who participated in the raid, stated there was almost a total absence of anti-aircraft fire, belying the stories that the Formosa fortifications were keeping pace with those in Hongkong.

The latest reports from Nanchang state that the wrecks of three Japanese planes which were shot down yesterday have been located. Officials and the populace are scouring the countryside for the others.

The latest victory of the Chinese air force for which Russian aviators, based by Nanchang, were probably mostly responsible, has been greeted with wild enthusiasm in Hankow. All boardings are covered with posters and slogans of "Long Live Our Glorious Air Force."—United Press.

Japanese Version

Shanghai, Feb. 26.
A Japanese communique states that 50 Japanese planes yesterday shot down 30 Russian and American machines at Nanchang.

Chinese reports state Russian pilots shot down eight of the raiders and did not mention Chinese losses. However, the Chinese claimed a victory.—United Press.

Intensified Air War

Shanghai, Feb. 26.
While the forces on the ground are locked on several battle fronts, both the Chinese and Japanese have (Continued on Page 13.)

STOP PRESS

Government Has Surplus, Not Deficit As Expected

An estimated Government deficit of \$3,498,910 for the year ending December 31, 1937, thanks to buoyant trade, has been turned into a surplus of \$1,085,146.

Financial returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the year 1937, issued this morning, disclose increased revenue over 1936 under every heading excepting Port and Harbour Dues. The estimated revenue of \$23,760,250 was exceeded in every head. Actual revenue was \$33,100,368.

Estimated expenditure of \$32,239,100 was higher by \$147,930 than actual expenditure.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 13.)

TO-DAY'S RACE SELECTIONS

(By "Captain Foster")

There are nine races down for to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES (FIRST SECTION)

Salvage Master
Fai Ying
Arabian Cat

NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES (SECOND SECTION)

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Dawn Star

AUSTRALIAN PONIES CHAMPIONS

Strathroy
Electron
Tornado Star

HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP "B"

Boat Bay
Commencement Bay
Tyne

DAILY DOUBLE

Derby Day/Plain View

R.A.O.C. ANNUAL DINNER

The R.A.O.C. Association's first annual dinner will take place this evening in Hotel Cecil. The dinner will be followed by a smoking concert.

The duck's best friend

HESTER VALENTINE tells you how to make the most of green peas—and incidentally all the other vegetables

YOUNG green peas fresh from the gardens! They are just beginning, and for a whole month we shall have them at their best.

This, to me, is an intoxicating thought, because there is nothing in all the vegetable kingdom so delicate and exquisite in flavour as English peas. For this reason I looked forward to winter more than to any other season of the year.

English Peas

Now that they are young they are fairly fool-proof to cook: you throw them into fast boiling salted water with a sprig of mint. In ten to fifteen minutes they will be tender and ready for the duck.

But in two or three weeks' time, when they vary in size a bit, it is advisable to use this method: Get two basins, and when you are shelling the peas drop the larger ones into one basin, the smaller ones into the other.

Throw the larger peas into the saucepan first and cook them for four or five minutes before adding the little ones. In this way you will avoid a dish of mixed hard and mushy peas. Keep the lid off the saucepan while you are cooking them.

French Peas

FOR poultry and veal there is nothing to equal our simple way of cooking peas. But, eaten as a separate course, or as an accompaniment to well-trimmed grill lamb cutlets (if you haven't the facilities for grilling, do them in a pan over a hot fire with no fat at all: they cook perfectly in their own juice), the French method is a delicious change.

Keep the lid of the saucepan on when you are cooking them this way.

Put a good lump of butter in a saucepan (2-3oz.), melt it slowly and add two pints of shelled peas, six or eight button onions, the heart of a cabbage lettuce cut into four, one tablespoonful sugar, sprinkling of salt and pepper and three tablespoonfuls of water.

Put the lid on and simmer, fairly fast, for thirty to forty minutes. By the time the vegetables are tender they will have absorbed most of the moisture and will be left lovely and buttery and ready for the cutlets.

Boiled White Radishes

COOKED radishes are far more digestible than raw ones and form another of my favourite midsummer vegetable dishes. You treat them just like carrots: wash, scrape and trim them, put in my opinion, more tasty than any into a saucepan with just other way.



"I look forward to winter more than to any other season of the year—vegetables are at their best."

enough cold water to cover, bring to the boil with the lid on, add plenty of salt, and cook till tender. When you have drained the water, pass them through a little melted butter and chopped parsley. Or you can cover them (but don't drown them) with a little thin white parsley sauce.

Cooked Cucumber

THIS is particularly delicious with hot boiled cod or salmon, and it also blends well with white meats.

Cut a cucumber into slices one inch thick. Peel and have each slice. Shape the halves, as well as you can, into little ovals. Put them in a saucepan with enough cold water to cover, and a good pinch of salt.

Bring to the boil with the lid on, strain and return to saucepan with some melted butter and chopped parsley. Simmer till tender with the lid on. Stir round every now and then as the cucumber is apt to shrivel if it isn't kept buttery. Don't throw away the rind—it is such an excellent garnish (cut into thin strips, and blanched) for clear soups.

Spinach

Puree

THIS is an economical way of doing a spinach puree without eggs or cream. It is also, wash, scrape and trim them, put in my opinion, more tasty than any into a saucepan with just other way.

COSY LITTLE SUPPER MENU:

Arranged by FLORENCE WHITE

Soused herring, potato salad, Beetroot, Cold sweet-cured Suffolk ham, sweet pickled damsons. Celery and cheese tartlets.

CLEAN four good fresh herrings, cutting off heads and tails, and lay them side by side in a dish, the thick alternately with the thin, so that the layer is even in the dish, cover with vinegar, put two bay leaves into the vinegar, half a dozen black pepper corns and a little salt. Put the lid on the dish or cover it closely with another dish, and bake for half an hour in a quick oven, take off the lid and if the dish is suitable the herring can be taken when cold to the table in it. Serve a good potato salad in a salad bowl, and serve a whole skinned beetroot in a small glass dish.

For the celery and cheese tartlets, line some greased and floured patty pans with puff pastry and fill the hollow with beans or crusts of bread to keep centres hollow. Bake the pastry, but do not bake again when the filling has been put in. To make the filling have a gill of good white sauce and stir into it an equal quantity of celery that has been cooked in the milk of which the white sauce has been made, run the white sauce and celery through a hair sieve, season it with cayenne pepper and salt, stir in a little grated cheese. Fill the pastry cases with this mixture. Sprinkle grated cheese over and bake until the mixture is delicately brown on top. These little tartlets can be eaten hot or cold, and make a snack for cocktail or bridge refreshments.

Is Your Child Afraid of Things?

A MOTHER was recently surprised to note, on taking her six-year-old son to see a film, that he showed not the slightest fear or, in fact, any emotion when a murder was committed on the screen.

It appears that on such occasions as he had previously been to the cinema, he had so far always gone with a German girl who acted as a companion in the home. This girl was of an exceptionally placid nature, and it would have taken an earthquake to shake her placidity; recounted murder certainly did not ruffle her. The result was that the child took his cue from her and viewed with perfect equanimity any horror films to which he was taken.

Few things are so infectious as fear. Consider a public building in which fire has broken out. How quickly the crowd can be driven frantic by one or two hysterical people! On the other hand, they footpath and don't bump into people can be calmed by the personal force and things on the road. But of someone who keeps his head, whether humour is brought into the And if adults can be so easily question or not, thenous and morawayed, how much more so a child? tainly be nothing ominous and morOther causes do sometimes enter bid about the instructions, but just into the growth of a child's fear, a sensible and calm suggestion for but the major one is that of seeing avoiding too close communion with it displayed by others.

Parents are very frequently puzzled when they see a child in the grip of some unaccountable fear. They feel so convinced that they are adult jokers who arrived at a have always been careful not to Christmas party with a huge wolf's frighten him. But are they quite head on his own. The obvious sure that they practiced this principle to do in such cases is, of ciple when he was a mere baby? In no case should a child ever be what an extent the youngest of exhorted and, still worse, laughed babies are susceptible to all sorts at and told not to be frightened, of influences. As a general rule, "because it's nothing," whatever conscientious parents begin to put the cause of his fear may be, for to their psychological ideas into practice him it obviously is something. The tice only when they think the child covered and should be painlessly removed—that is, by gentle encouragement and by actual proof.

SOWING THE SEED OF FEAR
The seed of fear can, however, be sown even when the child is yet nothing there to fear. In arms, but this, unfortunately, is

the period when parents consider that they need not be careful. I have seen babies of two, and even one, start with fear at something at which an adult who was holding them had also started.

The incident may, of course, immediately leave the child's mind, but, on the other hand, it is also possible that his mood and the strength of the impression may be such as will cause a permanent effect.

It should be a parent's aim, before the child is able to understand words and reasoning, to carry, for sake of example, a serene and poised men in face of anything frightening. Then, when the child is old enough to understand, he should be taught caution and not fear.

TEACHING "ROAD SENSE"

An example for this at once springs to mind. In teaching "road sense," most parents generally adopt a threatening and intimidat-ing tone of "You'll get run over if you don't look out," and the re-sult is a flustered and nervous child. One mother wisely says to her small child, "Don't bump into people on the road." But of someone who keeps his head, whether humour is brought into the And if adults can be so easily question or not, thenous and morawayed, how much more so a child? tainly be nothing ominous and morOther causes do sometimes enter bid about the instructions, but just into the growth of a child's fear, a sensible and calm suggestion for but the major one is that of seeing avoiding too close communion with it displayed by others.

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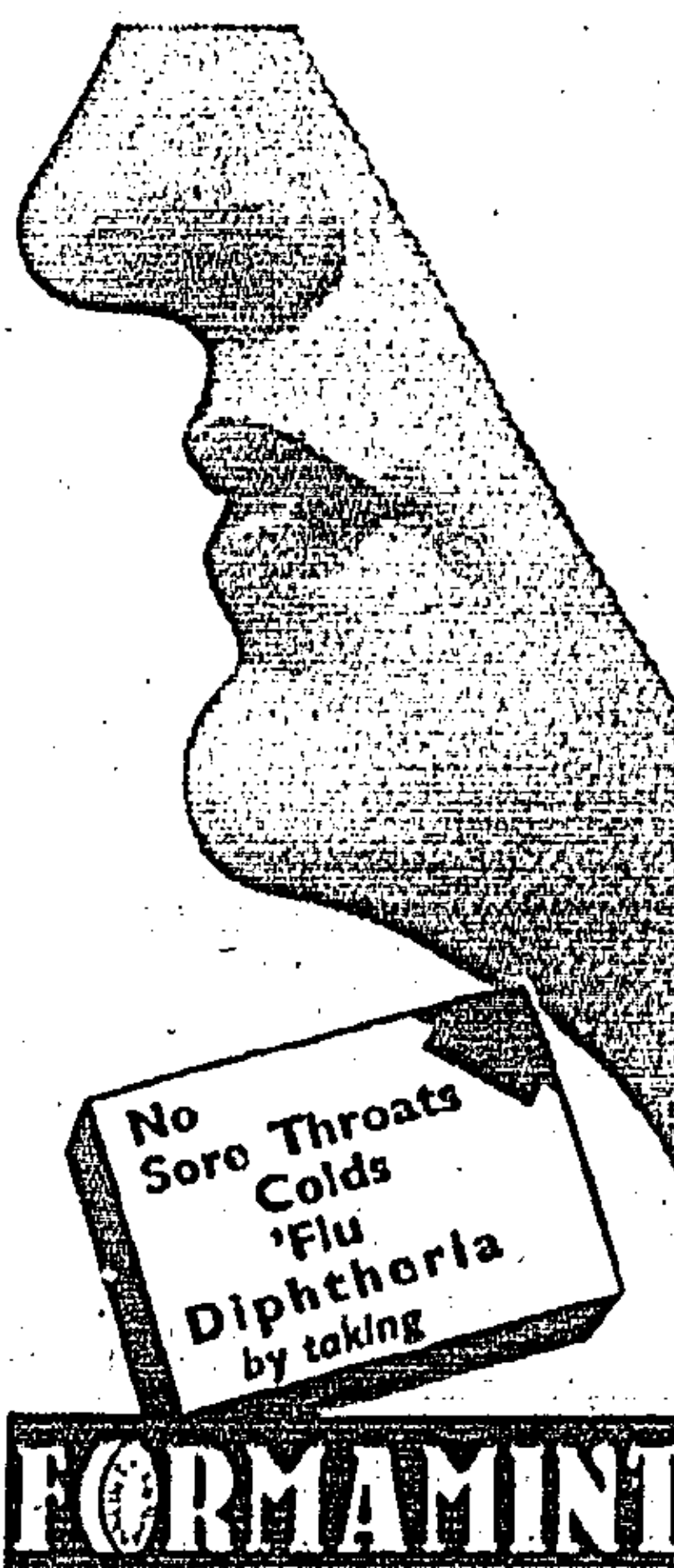
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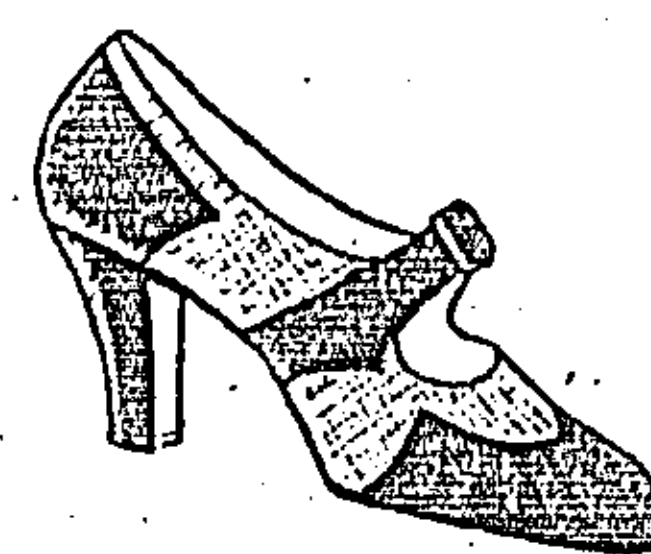
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'CIVIL WAR' BREAKS OUT ON LONELY ISLAND OFF AUSTRALIAN COAST

Aboriginals Fight For Women In Tribal Battles

By Tony E. Slater

CIVIL WAR has broken out at Bathurst Island, 50 miles from Darwin on the lonely north Australian coast, but you are not likely to hear much about it because civil wars at Bathurst Island are common, and few ever appear to get killed, anyway.

The 2,000 aboriginals who live on this tropic island fight with spears. In almost every instance these tribal fights have been caused by women. This time is because an old man has had his wife stolen and something had to be done about it.

Message carved on sticks have been received in Darwin, summoning the young men of Bathurst and Melville Islands to leave the mainland and return to their homes, sharpen up their spears and join in. It will take several more weeks before this battle begins to rage in earnest as there are a number of ceremonies to be performed before the great battle cry is raised. There is no hurry to begin; time stands still for the aboriginals on this island which has been comparatively untouched by civilization.

In all probability this war will still be raging when all is quiet again on the Chinese and Spanish fronts. The natives of Bathurst Island have been known to continue the same war for generations.

After plastering their bodies with elaborate designs in red and yellow ochre, the warriors take sides, according to the totemic group into which each aboriginal is born. When they have exhausted themselves in hurling insults they start with spears and clubs. This marks the real beginning of the battle. The side scoring the most hits wins, but as there are always heated arguments over the referee, the battle is likely to become more spirited as the days, weeks and months go on, and as the wounded recover to continue their attacks.

The queer marriage laws of this otherwise idyllic island are the chief reasons for these bloodthirsty wars. Marriage is everybody's business and is the predominant topic of conversation. The first rule is that man and wife must be of different totems.

Devotion is another rule which must not be violated. Indeed, some of the offspring are so devoted to their parents that they bury them alive when they become old so that they will be spared the pain of lingering deaths!

SLAVES TO HUSBANDS

Because the men on this island are condemned to bachelorhood until they are 30 or even 45, the birthrate seriously decreases. Marriage is anything but a bed of roses in Bathurst and Melville Islands for the unions are ruled by fear. There is no love in the matter at all. The wife is a slave to her husband and he beats her for the slightest offence and sometimes wives die from wounds inflicted by their husbands. As a



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Prince And Princess Too Poor To Buy Shop

IN the tiny two-roomed cottage in Hampton Court Palace Gardens, where Prince Andrew, nephew of the last Tsar of All the Russias, and his wife live, they told of their six-months struggle to raise money to open a shop.

Claims Uncle Saw Ghost: Hair Turned White

A STORY of the ghost of a dead workman which haunted a small factory and turned the owner's hair from black to white in a night was told to a Sunday Chronicle correspondent by Mr. Ivor Woodson, a well-known Adamsdown (Cardiff) businessman.

"My uncle had a small workshop in Cardiff," he said. "One night a man on the night shift was drawn into some machinery and killed."

"I was alone in the workshop a few days later when I walked a workman. He took no notice of me, but walked straight to his locker, rummaged around for several minutes, and then walked out of the room."

HAUNTED FACTORY

"It was the man who had been killed in the machinery. 'My uncle came in to find me nearly paralysed with fright. He laughed at my story."

"Next morning, however, we were together in the room alone when the door suddenly opened and in walked the ghost."

"My uncle was so shaken by the experience that he did not sleep that night and when he came to the workshop next morning his hair had gone as white as snow."

eyes with a mirror, a tomahawk, a knife, a billycan, a strip of calico, a blanket, a bag of flour and some tobacco, all of which, in the eyes of the old husband, were far more desirable than the girl. So it was agreed that this girl should be sold for the goods of which the value was about £2.

GIRLS TRAINED

From that date until 1925, one hundred and twenty four girls were bought and trained by the sisters at the mission. When they were 15 or 16 and had a good knowledge of domestic duties, they were allowed to marry mission boys of their own choice. At various periods they were permitted to leave the station for a month's holiday, or "walkabout" as it is called in aboriginal pidgin English.

Martina, the first girl who had been bought from the old husband married and had five children. On one of their "walkabouts" the eldest daughter, Elizabeth, aged five, was stolen. The family returned and explained matters to the priest, who had forgotten that Martina's daughters had been given away the day she herself had been born. It was Martina's son-in-law who had seized Elizabeth.

The priest ordered Martina and the rest of her family to go back to the bush and not return to the mission until they had recovered Elizabeth.

Last year, they returned to the mission with the missing child. The father had at last been able to seize Elizabeth from the old husband while she was playing in the jungle, near his camp. Father Gsell soon received word that the furious husband was making preparations to wage war on the mission that he could once again take back his little black girl wife.

The perplexed priest prayed. It was all he could do, and he deemed it an answer to his prayer when the husband died (probably of old age) and little Elizabeth was set free.

Now, all purchases of girls are being made only after the consent of the father, husband and son-in-law of each child, so in future, after the present civil war has died down, matters should be more peaceful on these islands at the top of Australia.

Twenty-one years ago, before the revolution they were naturally living in different circumstances.

Before a blazing gas fire in the cosy Victorian-papered sitting-room Princess Andrew told a Sunday Dispatch reporter why they chose to live in the little cottage that makes part of the house the Prince's mother, the Grand Duchess Xenia, has had lent to her by the King and Queen.

"It is so much more peaceful here," she explained, "and we like to be on our own."

"You see, there are so many of them in Wilderness House (a stone's throw from the cottage and overlooking the road at Hampton Court). But our three children sleep over there!"

"Then, besides them, there is the Grand Duchess (the Tsar's sister), Prince Nikita, and his wife and their family."

QUEEN MARY MODEL

"Until recently we lived at Frogmore Lodge. Then we all lived together; it was slightly bigger."

"We had been there 14 years. It was like home to us."

"Prince Andrew and I have run a shop before," the Princess continued. "We sold bags designed by my husband. He did a very successful model bag of the Queen Mary."

"We had just begun to do really well, and managed to buy a car on the hire-purchase system, when we had to leave. The woman who owned the building went into liquidation just before the Coronation, and the new owners needed our little room."

"Since then we have hunted everywhere for a cheap room to use as a shop."

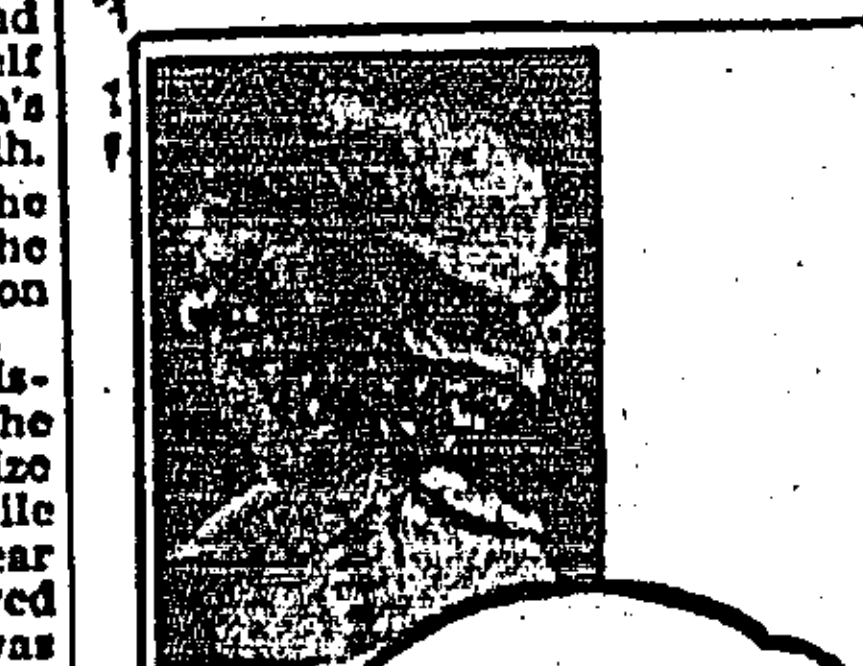
"But £600 a year or more they want. An absurd price, and one we could not possibly afford."

"All I have left—" the dark-haired princess smiled, "is my soul."

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If advertisement were necessary, this is what could be written of 145, Piccadilly, former home of the King and Queen, which their Majesties have decided shall be let on a lease of about 30 years. Its disposal is in the hands of the Commissioners of Crown Lands, but it is understood that the names of would-be tenants will be submitted to the King.



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Marie's BEAUTY SHOP

Queen Of Seas For Scrap

New York, Feb. 16. Scarred and rusty with age, the S. S. Leviathan, once the ultimate in ocean travel, will drop her pilot for the last time this month.

Minus masts and funnels, the former proud and unique Queen of Seas flying a British flag for the first time in her colourful career, will be outward bound on her last voyage to the shipyards of Rosyth, Scotland where she will be broken up for scrap.

Stripped of her fine furnishings that delighted wealthy travellers two decades ago, her trim steel flanks coated with grime and soot from three years' idleness in the Hoboken docks, the old ship will cross the Atlantic again under her own steam, just as she did for 24 history-making years.

The Leviathan first steamed into New York harbour in 1914, as the German liner Vaterland, of the Hamburg-American line. Interned by the United States, she was later converted into a transport and carried 18,000 Dough Boys to France, 11,470 of them in a single voyage. For many years she was rated the world's largest ship, and the last word in luxurious travel. For several years her record of 27.49 knots for sustained speed remained unbroken.

LOSES MONEY

Newer and faster ships, a product of post-war prosperity, took the Leviathan's place in popular favour. Never a commercial success, the old liner began to lose money ruinously. When the latest luxury ships enter the North Atlantic service, the "Europa," the "Bremen," the "Rex," with the "Normandie" and the "Queen Mary" already under construction, competition became too strong and the Leviathan's owners, the United States Line, obtained permission to lay her up in 1934.

Recently she was sold for \$732,000 to be broken up for scrap.

Ship news reporters, many of whom for years had boarded the ship at quarantine to interview her famous passengers, were permitted a parting visit to the near-derelict hulk. Dust and disorder had replaced the expansive atmosphere of a decade ago. The famous royal suit, with its private sun-terrace, was in gloomy confusion. Blankets were strewn on the beds, bureau drawers open as if last occupant had left them after a hectic search for something left behind.

In all the public rooms, furniture was gathered in the centre of the floor and secured with rope. Storm lamps hung in the dark corridors, casting eerie shadows on the cobwebs that hid the glory of another day. In the gymnasium, two mechanical bicycles still worked, painfully creaking on the mutes shown on a circular scale on the wall. But the electric horse, that once helped the wealthy travellers remove unwanted obesity, logged no more.

Already workmen fretted on the deserted decks. Blow-torches attacked the funnels and masts, clearing the superstructure for the liner's last trip, and so as to allow her to pass under the Fifth of North Bridge. Electricians examined the wiring on the bridge and repaired the telegraph that will signal "Full Speed Ahead" for the last time. The Leviathan will sail under British command and a skeleton crew, but with an American staff in her engine-room.

THE LAST STORY

As if sensing that the reporters, who mirrored her old glory in miles of newspaper, sought a last story that might be a fitting curtain to the most colourful of the modern sagas of the sea, the hold hulk seemed for a second as if it would reach the front page once more. Sparks from a nearby forge fell on her deck, firing some oil-stained canvas. But the Leviathan ending its days in a majestic blaze was only the vision of a moment. Firemen came aboard and quickly put it out.

But the Leviathan's career in the news was not entirely ended. Only a few days before she was scheduled to sail, someone mysteriously stole two oil paintings from the ship's deserted smoking rooms. The paintings, valued at \$150 each, were variously described as scenes of Hamburg and New York 150 years ago, and as paintings of an old galley and a frigate. Police were mystified as to how the thief had gained access to the ship, and how he had managed to unscrew the frame, remove the glass, cut the two canvases away and then escape down the single guard gangplank to the pier without being detected. Only one room in the ship still bears the marks of glory unexcelled by time. In a dark and hollow corner of the hull, the tiled swimming pool, caked in mud and with its once beautiful fixtures corroded and rusty, remains—so the stand-by officers say—the largest and finest great hull bath in a ship. Not even the Blue Ribbon fleet of 1938 can boast such splendour.—United Press.

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STOCK MARKET
REPORT.

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued yesterday, says: In spite of the Annual Races, the market during the week ruled generally very firm, with many stocks showing marked improvements. The tendency is upwards and the undertone is healthy.

In the Sterling section Banks were done as high as \$1.500, while Unions buyers at \$512½, with sales registered at \$515.

The Manila market was erratic, and on the whole rates are unchanged.

Business Done During the Week

Hongkong Bank	\$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,500
Union Insurance	\$505, \$512½, \$515
Hongkong Fire	\$240
Shanghai	\$240
Wharves	\$120, \$121, \$120½, \$120, \$120½
Decks	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Provisional	\$2, \$2, \$2, \$2, \$2
Provisional (Old)	\$2, \$2, \$2, \$2, \$2
Provisional (New)	\$2, \$2, \$2, \$2, \$2
Hotels	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Land	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Realities	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Tramways	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Star Ferry	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
China Light	\$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10
Electricity	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Telephones	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Cement	\$14, \$14, \$14, \$14, \$14
Dairy Farm	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Watsons	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Sinclair	\$20, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$20
Shanghai Cottons	\$70
Manila	\$12, \$12, \$12, \$12, \$12
Changes (Closing Quotations)	
Unions	\$512½
H.K. & W. Jones	\$120
H.K. & W. Jones	\$200
Provisional (Old)	\$12, \$12, \$12, \$12, \$12
Hotels	\$20
Land	\$20
Realities	\$20
Kowloon Wharves	\$120½, \$120
Tram	\$20
Cement	\$14
Dairy Farm	\$20
Watsons	\$20
Shai Cottons	\$70

NEW YORK STOCK
EXCHANGESWAN, CULBERTSON &
FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Feb. 25.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The market early reflected the omission of the Chrysler dividend. Exports are of the opinion that carriers behaved well, despite the decline in car-loadings. The market was encouraged by the decline in brokers' loans. There is a possibility that the utility situation will be clarified next week, but retail trade is below that of the corresponding period for last year. Business loans continue downward. We are still expecting early action on freight rates. Commodity shares continued to be in good demand.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:

Stocks: The market to-day continued firm, despite the omission of the Chrysler dividend. Although the market is now subject to technical correction, the rally is likely to continue. Bank clearings for the week were off by 32%.

Cotton: The market is awaiting the effect of prices upon Southern spot sales, which have been tight so far. Washington advises that 4 months' consumption has amounted to 3,085,000 bales, which is a decline of 32% from the corresponding 6 months of last year. Textiles are quiet, but prices are steady. Forwarding to mills for the week tallied 242,000 bales.

Wheat: The Government estimates that only 30,000,000 bushels of hard winter wheat is available here. Exports to-day amounted to 1,000,000 bushels. The sustained European demand for Australian wheat is construed as bullish, but this provided barely sufficient strength to absorb liquidation.

Corn: Exports to-day totalled 700,000 bushels. There is an improved domestic demand.

Rubber: Factory interest has slightly improved. Shipment offerings are small and at higher prices.

Sugar: There was some early weakness on liquidation and fear of March notices, but the market rallied when no notices were issued and prices closed steady.

Dow Jones Average:

Feb. 24	Close
40 Industrials	130.85
20 Rails	30.05
20 Utilities	20.07
40 Bonds	81.49
11 Commodity Index	84.01

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

Hongkong Benevolent Society

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, March 4, at 12 noon. His Honour, Sir Atholl MacGregor will preside.

NOTICE

Horace Charles Pratt, late of Stanley Prison, in the Colony of Hong Kong, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all claims against the estate of the above named deceased must be submitted to the Supt. of Prisons on or before the 11th day of March, 1938.

F. A. HOPKINS,
Superintendent of Prisons.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 11th March, 1938, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 4th March, 1938, to Friday, the 11th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNEL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1938.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 26th February, 1938, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1937.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 14th February to Saturday, the 26th February, 1938, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1938.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of March, 1938, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1937, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 28th February to 9th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1938.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.



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NOTICE.

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Practice Black-out on February 28th, 1938.

Directions in regard to use of head-lamps on motor vehicles.

The Commissioner of Police draws special attention to Regulation 5 of the Temporary Regulations under the Lighting Control Ordinance, 1936, published in the Government Gazette of the 18th day of February, 1938.

The regulations will be in force from 7 P.M. to 11 P.M. on 28th February, 1938.

Regulation 5 is as follows:—
"The following restrictions on the use of lights on vehicles shall be observed:—

(1) Except in accordance with such directions as the Commissioner of Police may give under this regulation, the use of head lamps on all vehicles is prohibited. "Head lamp" means a lamp, in which the diameter of the front glass exceeds 4½ inches.

(2) No light shall be shown from any moving vehicle except (a) to the front, a white or yellow light from not more than two lamps;

(b) to the rear, a red light from not more than one lamp. Two lights to the front and one to the rear are compulsory for motor vehicles.

No rear "stop" light and no direction indicator of any kind showing a light shall be used.

Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the use, in trams and omnibuses only, of interior lights reduced in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4).

(3) No light whatever shall be shown from any stationary vehicle except a tram or an omnibus, and then only while it is stopped for so long as may be necessary to pick up or discharge passengers in the course of its regular service.

(4) The lights of trams and omnibuses must be reduced as the Commissioner of Police may direct.

(5) In the case of all other vehicles:—

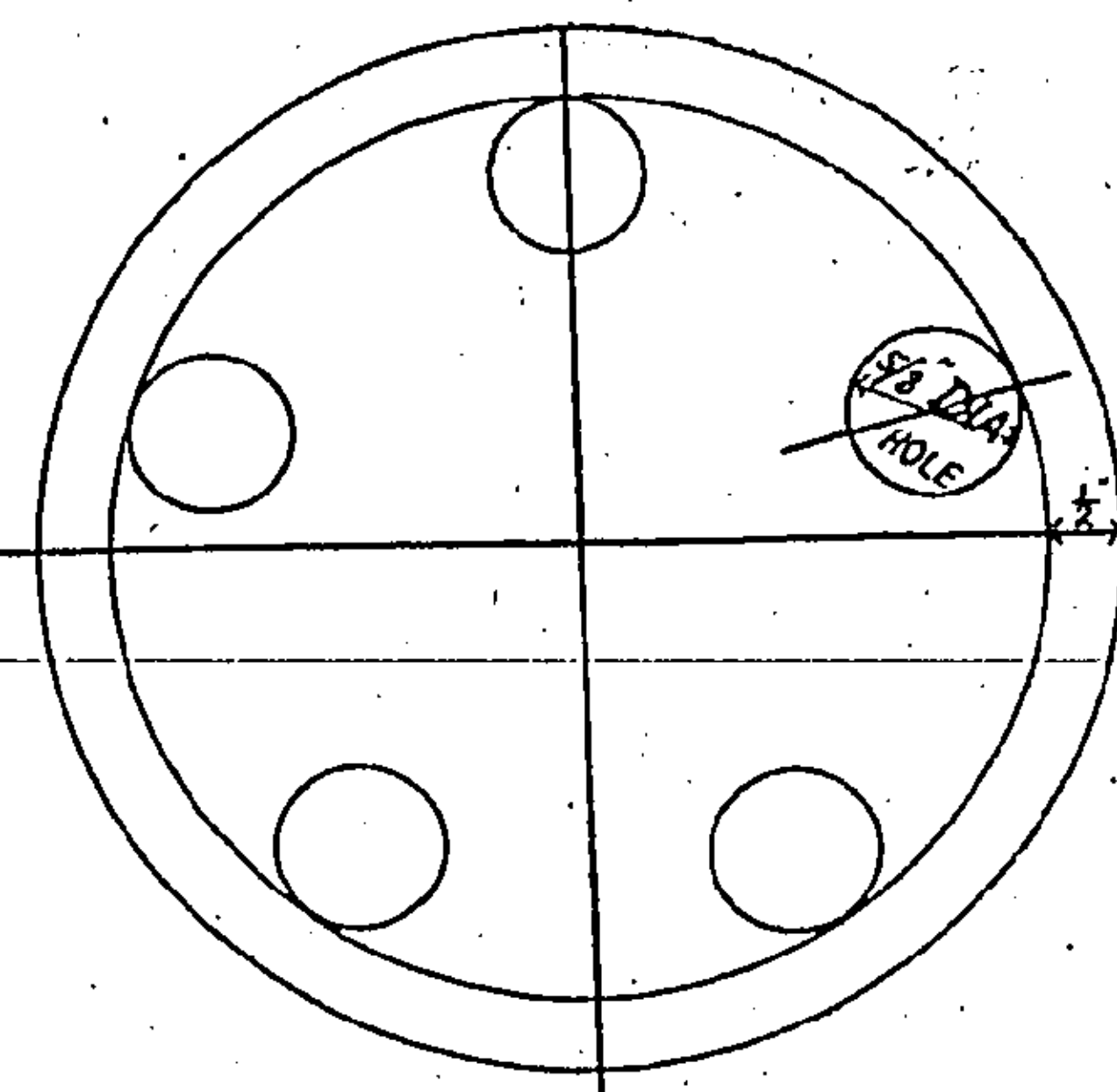
(a) only electric or oil lamps shall be used;

(b) no lamp of a power exceeding six candle-power shall be used;

(c) the front glasses of all lamps in use must be obscured with at least one thickness of ordinary white or yellow tissue paper or with white or yellow paint, colourwash or material so that the obscuring effect is not less than that of one thickness of ordinary white tissue paper. The paper, paint or material must cover the whole of the portion of the front glass through which light can pass and must not be treated in any way so as to increase its transparency. This regulation shall not apply to any vehicle in use on emergency duty for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes."

The use of head lamps on motor vehicles which have no side lamps will be permitted only if (1) such head lamps are fitted with a disc constructed and attached as follows:—

(a) The disc must be made of completely opaque material, must fit near to the front glass of the lamp (inside the lamp if desired) and must cover it so as to prevent the passage of light except through the holes cut as provided in the following diagram.



(b) The holes in the disc must be covered with at least one thickness of ordinary white or yellow tissue paper.

(2) In the head lamp no lamp bulb of a power exceeding six candle-power is used.

T. H. KING,

Commissioner of Police.

21st February, 1938,
Hong Kong.

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CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Parade Service
At Shamshuipo

LIST OF SERVICES

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hongkong (opposite the Royal Naval Hospital).

Sunday Services, February 27.

Preacher: Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

Morning Parade Service at Shamshuipo at 8.15.

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 at the English Methodist Church.—Hymns 2, 414, 615, 426, 157.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. at the English Methodist Church.—Hymns 689, 524, 470, 607.

Notices for the Week

1. Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at 8.15. Refreshments are provided at minimum charges; all Servicemen and civilians are warmly welcomed.

2. The Badminton Club meets on Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from the Secretary of the "S. & S. Home".

3. There will be a meeting of prayer on Tuesday, March 1 in the Chaplain's Room of the "S. & S. Home".

4. There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Church Aid on Wednesday, March 2, at 10.30 a.m. in the "S. & S. Home".

5. Preliminary Notice. A Grand Concert is to be given on behalf of the Home by the Hong Kong Singers in the theatre of the China Fleet Club on Wednesday, March 9. Kindly book the date. The concert is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency the Commander in Chief, His Excellency, General Officer Commanding, Hongkong, and the Anderson Music Co., Ltd., on March 1, 1938.

6. The Monthly Dance will be held at the Sailors' & Soldiers' Home on Friday, March 4, at 8.30 p.m. The charge is one dollar. The Band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance by kind permission of Major H. D. K. Money, Band President.

UNION CHURCH

Jumble Sale to be Held
Next Month

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Union Church, Kennedy Road:

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher at both services: Rev. K. MacKenzie Dow.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Christian Association meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m.

A Jumble Sale will be held in the Church Hall on March 25 at 2.30 p.m. Contributions will be gratefully received at the Church Hall.

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ,
Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, February 27, will be "Christ Jesus."

The Golden Text will be: "We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." (II Cor. 4:5).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. For unto us a child is born, and unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and upon his kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth, even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. (Isa. 9:2 and 8. 11, 2.)

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The advent of Jesus of Nazareth marked the first century of the Christian era, but the Christ is without beginning of years or end of days. Throughout all generations both before and after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spiritual idea, the reflection of God, has come with some measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive Christ. Truth, Abraham, Jacob, Moses and the prophets caught glorious glimpses of the Messiah, or Christ, which baptized these seers in the divine nature, the essence of Love. The divine image, idea, or Christ, was, is, and ever will be inseparable from the divine Principle, God." (Page 333).

Announcement

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong. Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., Meriden Road, close to Tram Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. The Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located at Bank of China Building, 10 Des Voeux Road, Central, and open daily 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Evening except Wednesdays and Saturdays 7-9 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the service and to visit the Reading Room.

POST OFFICE.

AIR MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary air mail letters may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE
Mail Service "Via Siberia" is temporarily suspended.

AIR MAIL SERVICES

Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Haiphong	Canton	February 26.
Swatow	Chengtu	February 26.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London date, 27th January.	Hakusan Maru	February 26.
Japan	Montevideo Maru	February 26.
Shanghai and Swatow	Newchwang	February 26.
Calcutta and Straits	Salsang	February 26.
Straits	Anhui	February 27.
Japan and Shanghai	Gneisenau	February 27.
Japan and Formosa	Hakozaki Maru	February 27.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Szechuen	February 27.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	February 27.
Straits	Aeneas	February 28.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th February.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 28.

Japan	Kumsang	February 28.
Japan	Delagosa Maru	March 1.
Shanghai	Glenapp	March 1.
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	March 1.
Amoy	Tilsaroca	March 1.
Straits	Aeneas	March 2.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	March 2.
Straits	Marchal Joffre	March 2.
Straits	Mirzapore	March 2.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 23rd February.

U.S.A., Japan and Manila—San Francisco date, 5th February.

Japan and Shanghai

Straits

Straits

Bangkok and Swatow

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Montevideo Maru	Sat, Feb. 26, 2.30 p.m.	
South Africa	Sat, Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
Formosa and Japan	Sat, Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, *E. & *South	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe	Reg., Feb. 26, 4.15 p.m.	
via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th March.	Ord., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
Air Mail for "France Orient Airways Gustav Diederichsen" (Sat, Feb. 26, 5 p.m.)	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Service—due Marseilles, 13th March.	Reg., Feb. 26, 4.30 p.m.	
Ord., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.		
Manila, *Straits, *Ceylon, *India, Gneisenau	Sat, Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
*Egypt and parcels for Germany		
only via Hamburg (via Amoy)	Van Heutz	Sat, Feb. 26, 5 p.m.
Amoy and Fochow (via Amoy)	Imperial Airways Plane	Sat, Feb. 26, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 7th March.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
March	Reg., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
Air Mail for Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Darwin, 5th March.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Ord., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.		

*Swatow and Shanghai	Kaying	Sun, Feb. 27, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Fochow	Hanching	Sun, Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Yingchow	Sun, Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Straits	Gustav Diederichsen	Sun, Feb. 27, 9 a.m.

Monday	Tai Hing	Mon, Feb. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Chakung	Mon, Feb. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	Mon, Feb. 28, 11 a.m.
Japan	Salsang	Mon, Feb. 28, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, C.N.A.C. Plane	Mon, Feb. 28, 5 p.m.	
Kweilin and Chungking by "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service"	Reg., Feb. 28, 5 p.m.	
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Ord., March 1, 6 a.m.		

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Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Ninghai	Tues., Mar. 1, 8.30
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjilaroen	Tues., Mar. 1, 8.30
Air Mail for Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 5th March.	Imperial Airways Plane	Tues., Mar. 1, 8.30
	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	
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	Ord.,	Mar. 1, 9
Kongmoon	On Lee	Tues., Mar. 1, 10
Shanghai	Aconas	Tues., Mar. 1, 1.30
Hsinhong	Canton	Tues., Mar. 1, 2

KOWLOON RESIDENTS DO MUCH TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS OF LIVING

Year's Activities Briefly Reviewed

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Friday, March 4, at 6 p.m.

The report of the General Committee states: The efforts of the Association towards furthering the interests of Kowloon residents and in protecting and improving the amenities of the Peninsula were steadily continued during the year 1937.

Perhaps, the most outstanding feature of the work done during the year under review is the report on the problem of Leprosy in the Colony issued in July. The Association is and doubtless the public generally will feel deeply indebted to the members of the sub-committee responsible for the report, for the painstaking labour which they expended on it and to the doctors, missionaries, and other friends who co-operated so unselfishly with them in carrying out the investigation. Copies of the report were sent to Government and it was hoped that financial provision for providing a leper settlement in a rural area would be available in the 1938 estimates. This hope has not, however, been realised, the Government having further postponed consideration of this much needed initial step in dealing with the problem.

The following is a brief summary of the other important matters dealt with by the Association during 1937; for fuller particulars, the reader is referred to the correspondence in the appendices.

BUS SERVICES

Several matters under this head were taken up with The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. Ltd. and in each case received courteous consideration. The agitation for a reduction of bus fares commenced in the latter part of 1936, happily resulted in a new scheme coming into force on the August 1, 1937, which entitles a short distance passenger to travel two sections for the same fare formerly charged for one section. This is tantamount to a reduction in fares and has proved of much benefit to the travelling public.

The re-arrangement of bus routes has been the subject of considerable correspondence with the newly created Traffic Board. A letter conveying the decisions arrived at by the Board has come to hand just as this report is being drafted and it is satisfactory to note that the improvements are more or less in line with those advocated by this Association.

The Association suggested to Government that its work as well as that of the Traffic Board might be facilitated if it were represented on that Board, but Government replied that "sectional representation" would not be desirable in the case of such a Board.

ROAD-SURFACING

In the face of Government's previous letters to the effect that the exigencies of the financial situation did not permit of the maintenance of such a high standard of road-surfacing as had prevailed formerly, little was accomplished apart from drawing attention to the unsuitable material being used as top dressing in several areas.

TRAFFIC AND STREET LIGHTING

The institution of a "silent zone" for traffic and of a speed limit of 30 m.p.h. in urban areas, the widening of the road on the dangerous bend near Tsuen Wan village, the possibility of covering the nullah in Waterloo Road, the effective erection of parking places, and the erection of traffic signs were among the matters dealt with under the important heading of traffic.

The Association has not ceased to urge that better lighting be installed as soon as possible in Nathan Road. The last communication from Government was to the effect that the matter was receiving "active and sympathetic consideration".

DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

Several matters under this head formed the subject of a set of questions drafted by the Association and asked in the Urban Council by Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto.

CRIME IN KOWLOON

The serious increase of crime occasioned several letters between the Association and the Police Department. Assurances were given by the latter that the matter was receiving earnest attention.

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS

On the recommendation of the Association, the Botanical and Forestry Department replaced the poisonous Oleander shrubs growing near certain playgrounds with more suitable plants. The unkempt condition of the playground in Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong was brought to the notice of the R.W.D. and assurances were received that the matter would receive attention; recently the work of renovation has been completed.

A donation of \$50 was voted to the Children's Playgrounds Association; this organisation has done much to provide playing grounds in Hong-kong and Kowloon for the use of poorer children.

LOW FLYING AEROPLANES

At the last annual general meeting, the nuisance caused by aer-

planes being flown at unnecessarily low altitudes over hospitals, schools, and other buildings causing inconvenience to the inmates, especially doctors and teachers, was mentioned. Representations to the Director of Air Services resulted in no helpful response, but when the matter was brought to the notice of the Superintendent of the Civil Aerodrome and the Officer Commanding, R.A.F., Kai Tak, assurances were given that efforts would be made to abate the nuisance.

GUIDE BOOK

Work on the compilation of a Guide Book to Kowloon and the New Territories has gone forward slowly but surely, and it is hoped to have the book in print in the near future. The Association's thanks are extended to The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. Ltd. and The Hongkong & Yau-mat Ferry Co. Ltd. for their continued generosity in providing our historian with a complimentary ticket which facilitates his travelling in quest of material for the book.

CEMETERIES IN KOWLOON

Government has asked for the Association's views regarding a proposal to move the Roman Catholic Cemetery on Kowloon Island Lot 148 to another site. The matter is being carefully considered by a sub-committee, who will at the same time investigate the position of other non-Chinese cemeteries in Kowloon.

POSTAL MATTERS

A complaint that the Kowloon Post Office was understaffed was taken up by your President personally with the Postmaster General, who stated that steps would be taken to engage an extra staff as soon as room could be made to accommodate him.

STREET SLEEPERS

The Association continued to give its support to the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society, which did much good work during the year. The Committee again voted the sum of \$50 to the Society's funds and Rev. J. R. Higgs relieved Mr. C. E. Terry as the Association's representative on their committee.

MISCELLANEOUS

The nuisance caused by transporting cement to and from some premises in Kowloon City was the cause of some correspondence between the Association and the Urban Council; later the nuisance was abated.

Information was sought as to Government's proposals regarding the use of the new road leading to Clear Water Bay and the surrounding territory, but so far the particulars required have not been received.

The question of re-naming of Fire Stations in Kowloon was referred to this Association for its opinion by the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade.

On the expiry of his term of office, the Rev. J. R. Higgs was again nominated by the Association for a further appointment as a member of the Board of Education.

Other matters which engaged the attention of your Committee included the possibility of converting a piece of land adjoining the junction of Tai Po Road and Lai Chi Kok Road into a place of public resort, the desirability of placing a clock in the tower of St. Teresa's Church, the enlarging and modernising of the Kowloon Mortuary, the reason why season ticket holders on the Kowloon City, Hung Hom, and Saiwanho ferries are not entitled to travel on the Jordan Road, Mong Kok, and Samshui ferries, the increase in prevalence of mosquitoes in the Chatham Road area, and the need for erecting name plates at the corners of many streets in Kowloon.

RENT INCREASES

The subject of alleged undue increase of rentals was also carefully considered, but your Committee decided that in view of the fact that rents for some considerable time had been at a lower level than formerly and as very few specific complaints had been received by the Association, there were no grounds for any further action.

A donation of \$100 was made by this Association to the Kowloon Winter Food Relief Fund, which was recently organised for the first time in Kowloon, and doubtless this will meet with the approbation of all members.

For another year, St. Andrew's Church Hall has been placed at the disposal of the General Committee for all its meetings, and as a token of appreciation, a donation of \$50 was made to the Church funds.

In conclusion, your Committee again expresses the thanks of the Association to those officials of Government Departments and of Public Utility Companies with whom they have come in contact during the

LAST-MINUTE HINTS FOR H.K. BLACK-OUT

In a broadcast talk over Z.B.W. last evening, Col. N. M. S. Irwin, G.S.O. 1, officer in charge of co-ordination of the Colony defences, said: It may be thought that the Government is being unnecessarily annoying by imposing on the Colony a restriction which, for convenience, is called a "black-out." It may be considered that when the occasion arises demanding a total eclipse of the lights of the Colony the reason will be so cogent that the people will be ready enough to turn out their lights and sit in darkness until the danger is passed and, therefore, why inconvenience the public by having practice "black-outs" now? I will give you two very good reasons why we cannot wait until the last minute, that is to say, until just before an air raid arrives, before extinguishing all the lights in Hongkong and why, therefore, in war we wish to keep the Colony in such a permanent state of dim illumination that its presence would not be readily disclosed to a hostile airman.

The first reason is that, placed as we are on the edge of the sea with no outlying territory on the lines of possible attack, we cannot hope to get early warning of the approach of air raids. Therefore only a few moments at the most before the bombs start to drop can be expected to get news that an air raid is coming. When we get the information at our Military Headquarters how can we get the news out to everyone in time to get them to turn out their lights? No sort of warning signal can be so absolutely effective as to ensure this. But there is a method of acting instantly and thereby darkening the Colony on receipt of news of an impending raid, and that is by turning off all light and power at source by pulling out the switches and closing the taps at the electric light and gas works. That results in a complete "black-out" and is a course of action which might be effective were it not for the second reason I am about to give you; but in addition this course brings with it many difficulties and dangers which I will refer to in a moment.

THE SECOND REASON

The second good reason why we cannot wait until that last minute is that the aeroplanes can see lights from a great distance, further, in fact, than the sound of the aeroplane's engine travels, therefore, before we have given the warning of the aeroplane's approach it has probably picked up the lights of Hongkong and so confirmed that it is on its proper course.

You will probably think that this second reason is not a very good one because even if the enemy aeroplane does locate the direction of Hongkong, by the time it arrives at the point when it has to release its bombs it is fairly certain that most of the lights will have been turned out, in any case enough of them to confuse the airman and make it difficult for him to pick out the Military Objectives.

I am afraid we cannot be satisfied with such a gamble and besides, are you so certain that the airman will aim at a Military objective only, releasing his deadly load only if there is no chance of it falling other than on a Military target? No, you cannot be certain. The bomb will be released, all right, and what interests you most, therefore, is how to make the best of a bad job. And so we come to the "black-out" as one means of making the best of a bad job. The term "black-out" as I said earlier, convenient, but it is not quite appropriate because it implies the very condition that we think it wiser to avoid. Complete "black-out" would only be possible by cutting off all lights at the mains, and consider for a moment what life would be like under such interrupted conditions. No Cinemas or amusements to keep up our spirits, could continue under these conditions.

ALARM AND PANIC

Think of the alarm and probably panic which might occur in crowded houses when the lights suddenly go out and when in hot weather the fans stop as well. What of operations in Hospitals cut short at critical moments until alternative illumination can be brought into action, or lifts suddenly stopped leaving you entrapped between floors. Furthermore, many technical difficulties follow with street lighting, with hot water or cold storage and refrigeration systems, and even with milking processes at the Dairy Farm.

Throughout a war in which we are exposed to air attack should we accept these dangers and disadvantages or should we try out a self-imposed degree of restricted or subdued lighting all night and every night, which will be just enough to meet our own essential needs, but not enough to be of material assistance to the

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report states that the total amount of subscriptions, etc., collected from Members was \$558.

During the year, 35 new members joined the Association and 35 resigned or were struck off, having left Kowloon, etc. Total number of Members as at December 31, 1937, was 330.

Total expenditure during the year was \$304.60.

The balance in hand at December 31, 1937, was \$746.99 against \$994.59 in 1936.

The grateful thanks of the Association are again due to Mr. John Fleming, C.A., who has kindly acted as Hon. Auditor of the Accounts.

Bomber aeroplane? The Air Raids Precautions Sub-Committee believes this latter to be the correct policy.

BUSINESS AS USUAL

The slogan "Business as usual" which formed almost the basis of the British home policy in 1914, if sensibly applied might well become the slogan for the Lighting Policy of the Colony so long as "Business as usual" does not cause us to detract one whit from our determination to surmount the greater danger of invasion by land and sea.

To implement this policy successfully, much practical, honest co-operation and understanding by the people will be necessary.

To give you an example of what can be done by individual effort I will tell you the case of the Queen Mary Hospital. You all know what a prominent heavily windowed building it is. Well, the Medical Officer in charge took the problem before him of screening his essential lights most seriously and knowing this, on the occasion of the last "black-out,"

I flew over the hospital, circling the building twice. I saw no tell-tale lights whatever. When I returned to my office I rang the Medical Officer in charge of the Hospital and told him how successful his efforts had been and added this question, "Are you prepared to carry on under your present lighting conditions for two months?" He said he was. That shows exactly what we want and what can be done.

In a similar way we want people to arrange the screening of their own house lights so that they cannot be seen from outside and in this connection it is comforting to know that it takes quite a thin curtain to screen a light so long as the colour of the curtain is dark; similarly blued electric light bulbs or shaded lamps directed away from windows provide adequate internal lighting without being conspicuous from outside. It is the naked light which is most conspicuous from the air, a screened light, even a car side lamp, provided it has a thin paper covering it, except from extremely low altitudes, practically invisible from the air; so really the individual's task is not such a difficult one.

SIMPLE RULES

The conditions of the next "black-out" practice have been published in the Press and some explanatory announcements are also being made daily from this studio. The rules are simple and if strictly adhered to will cause very little inconvenience will be caused. But don't think it like many people did in December and just put out your lights and walk in the streets or go to bed. That is not practice. Will you, therefore, regard this coming "black-out" and others which will inevitably follow at certain intervals as about three months' you to carry out your own experiments in restricting lights and to get accustomed to a degree of subdued lighting which will enable you to continue to exist in War in reasonable comfort and added security.

The alternative must be the absolute "black-out" achieved only by cutting off all power and light at source, a measure which the Government wishes to avoid and which I am sure you will agree should if possible be avoided.

FATNESS WAS IN THE FAMILY

But Mother and Daughter Both Reduced

One sometimes hears it said: "She'll run to fat like her mother," and it is true that fatness often runs in families. But nowadays, overweight mothers are generally just as unwilling as their daughters to remain fat. Certainly that was true in the case of this mother and her daughter. The letter published below tells what they did:—

"This is to say that I have reduced from 10 stone 3 lbs. to 8 stone 4 lbs. through taking half a teaspoonful of Kruschen Salts daily, and my mother has reduced from 11 stone 4 lbs. down to 10 stone 1 lb. We started in real earnest about three months ago. I cut out my cup of tea at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., and mother cut out fried foods. As regards exercise, we just took daily walks. We will never be without Kruschen Salts in future, as they have proved a real remedy."—(Miss) M.B.

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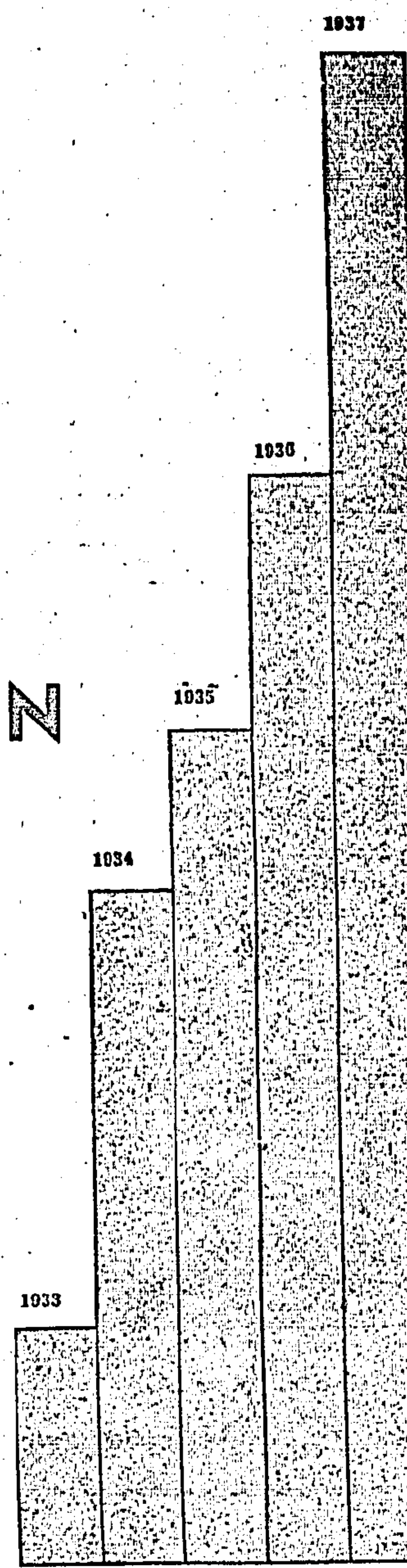
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AMERICA WORLD'S GREATEST DRUG MARKET—Doctor

New York, Feb. 15.

Terming drug addiction "the most misunderstood and mistreated disease" in the annals of both medicine and crime," Dr. Arthur La Roe, president of the American Narcotic Defense Association, recently charged that "the United States of America is now the heaviest consumer of dope in all the world."

In a speech before the Advertising Club of New York City, Dr. La Roe assailed current methods of curbing drug addiction by sending addicts to jail as criminals, reminding his audience that addiction to narcotic drugs was a disease, not merely a habit, and the addicts did not necessarily become criminals until he was unable to obtain drugs by other means.

"We have in the problem of dope, or disease-inducing drugs, perhaps the oldest and most difficult problem of all the world's history. Certain it is that it has claimed more lives, and by a more hideous death, than all the wars since before the beginning of recorded history," he said.

Hauptmann Case Not Yet Ended

New York, Feb. 15.

That responsible quarters connected with the Lindbergh case still believe that the "whole truth" of the most publicized crime in modern times was never brought out at the Flemington trial was indicated this month when Governor Harold Hoffman, of New Jersey, reiterated charges that the closing of the investigation at the time of Bruno Richard Hauptmann's conviction was "highly reprehensible."

The governor drew worldwide attention when he jeopardized his political career by denying Hauptmann's execution while New Jersey enforcement agencies sought possible accomplices in the crime.

Announcing the distribution of \$25,000 in rewards authorized by the New Jersey legislature for information leading to the conviction of those responsible for the kidnapping, Governor Hoffman indicated that he still believed Hauptmann was not alone in the Hopewell case.

"I believe," he said, "that even some of those who will share in the reward, particularly the so-called 'identification witnesses' were either mistaken or untruthful. There are official records, not produced at the trial, which support this statement and which I intend subsequently to give to the public."

HANDSOME REWARDS

The reward was distributed in amounts ranging from \$7,500 to \$25 to more than one hundred persons who were instrumental in bringing Hauptmann to the electric chair. Walter Lyle, operator of a New York gasoline station who accepted one of the \$10 gold certificates of the ransom money from Hauptmann, and noted the license number of the car on the back of the bill received \$7,500 and William J. Allen, Trenton Negro, who found the child's body, got \$5,000.

Announcing that Dr. Condon, intermediary in the ransom negotiations, had laid claim to no part of the reward, Governor Hoffman said: "I shall have more to say about the activities of Dr. Condon in this case."

The governor attacked the credibility of several witnesses whose testimony helped to convict Hauptmann. Cecile M. Barr, ticket seller at a movie theatre, he sarcastically called "a quite remarkable casher" because, although she sold about 1,500 tickets a day, she was able to identify Hauptmann over a year later despite the fact that five witnesses were produced to testify that they attended a little birthday party in Hauptmann's home that night. Other unlikely details of Miss Barr's story, according to Governor Hoffman, were the fact that Hauptmann was attending a moving picture performance far from home, on his birthday, and though a man supposedly in possession of \$50,000, he said to have worn no hat or coat.

Miss Barr was awarded \$1,000 of the reward.

Amandus Hochmuth, Franco-Prussian war veteran, Governor Hoffman said "another very remarkable person" and another state witness, Millard Whited, he said, "personally told me that prior to the identification he had been promised part of the reward." Both Hochmuth and Whited received \$1,000.

The governor similarly discredited the testimony of Joseph Perrone, New York taxicab driver, who said Hauptmann had given him a ransom note to carry to Dr. Condon. Before identifying Hauptmann at the trial, Hoffman said, Perrone had picked out "at least ten persons from the Rogers' Gallery, some lean, some stout and of varying facial characteristics as either being, or closely resembling, the man who gave him the note." Perrone also received \$1,000.

Governor Hoffman admitted that he had sold to a magazine a 50,000-word series of articles on his version and that they would be ready for publication very shortly.

"Internationally, dope looms as the world's worst enemy. A hundred years ago China fought three opium wars to keep dope out and lost them all, each with the loss of a strategic seaport, and a huge indemnity. The result you can read in the papers any day now. In recent years she has been systematically exploited by a foreign nation that covets, if not her territory, then her opium revenues, and so many of her people have been victimized by dope that she is in difficulty to raise an army that does not need dope that she is in difficulty to raise an army that does not need dope more than it does enemy."

Assailing current practices in combating drug traffic, La Roe said:

"We call them the dark-ages, when mentally diseased were committed to dungeons and permitted to rave while they awaited any merciful death nature would bring. Yet in this enlightened age, we hurl our drug addicts into jails to mingle with ordinary criminals, and become criminals themselves, while they make new addicts of others."

La Roe emphasized that drug addiction was a disease and should be treated as such: "If one could picture where we might be in our handling of diabetes, for instance, if it were considered a moral disgrace, to be a victim of it, and against the law to be caught in possession of a vial of insulin, and if one so caught were hurried into jail after being finger-printed and mugged, maybe one can get a picture of what we are up against in this matter of addiction."

Stating police and other enforcement agencies are doing the best they can to meet a problem they are in no way fit to handle, Dr. La Roe observed:

"Such laws as we have are revenue measures and their punitive provisions are based on the erroneous conception that the addict is of necessity a criminal, whereas he only becomes one because he can in no other way get the drug of his need."

Dr. La Roe said that the cost of crime attributed to dope in the United States approximates two to five billion dollars annually and "we could write off the national debt in ten or fifteen years by solving this problem." The advertising men were told that "all these sums are a direct tax upon the business you are in."

Drug consumption per capita in the United States was the largest in the world, Dr. La Roe said, adding: "Worse than China, we don't even know how many addicts we have and are doing next to nothing about it."

"We have made a frightful start down the toboggan, and I would not predict that it would take us a hundred years to reach China's present low estate,"—United Press.

Young Folk Wed For 12 Reasons Other Than Love

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Workers in the Taylor county clerk's office looked over the marriage licence ledger and then listed 13 reasons why people got married.

To get a living.

To avoid income tax.

To avoid living with the old folks.

To save the trouble of putting on their best clothes to go courting.

To get a slice of "Uncle Horace's" estate.

To get the premium that employers put on married men in salary increases and unemployment liability.

Just for a lark.

Curiosity.

Intoxication.

In order that they might settle down and quit wasting money.

To avoid eating in a boarding house.

From fear that it might be their last opportunity.

Love also was listed as one of the reasons.—United Press.

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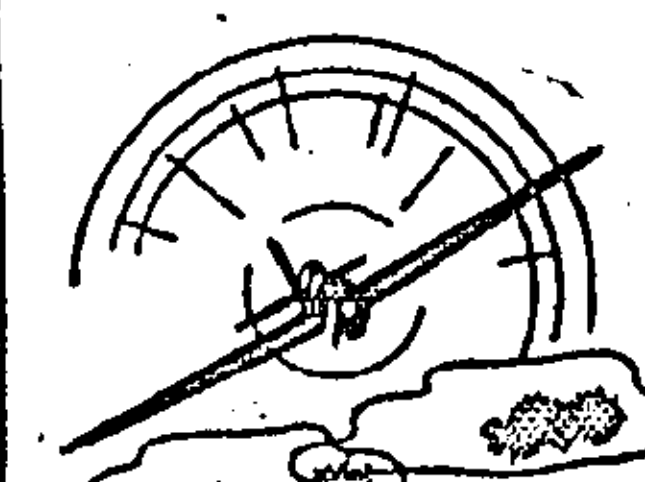
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He wrote that the dramatic side of their work did not interest him a bit.

"There are dramatic schools all over the place; and yet today all the professions speak English better for public purposes than the dramatic profession," he declared.

"About 50 years ago the clergy murdered the Liturgy so scandalously that I protested publicly against a candidate for Holy Orders being ordained until he knew the difference between a Collect and a gargle.

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"In the Law Courts a slovenly speaker would have no chance."

"SHAKESPEARE OR SHAW"

Referring to "the slovenly speech in the theatre," he said:

"One reason is that our dramatic schools and our producers are so distracted by the other arts which the colouring, the dressing and the stage fashions in what is called 'expressionism' and which mostly expresses nothing but sheer folly—that they have no time left for the central art of speech on which all plays that have any brains in them depend.

"For my own work (he continued) I prefer actors who have been trained as musicians.

An opera sung by people with no cars for music is not more horrible than a play by Shakespeare or Shaw spoken by people with no sense of verbal music or no trained skill in executing it.

"Yet such people offer you Shakespeare, though they would never dream of offering you Handel or Elgar."



Mr. Lo Hung-chun, who graduated last year from the University of Hongkong.

2,000,000 Miles And No Accident

AIR SERVICE RECORD

Qantas Empire Airways which operates the last lap, between Singapore and Brisbane, of the England-Australia Imperial air route, has just celebrated its third birthday with a record of 2,105,020 miles to its credit without a single forced landing and without injury to any passenger or employee.

The service was opened by the Duke of Gloucester three years ago. In the first year it carried an outward mail of about 500 lb. a week, the service averages about 1350 lb. Now, a week outward from Darwin, says *Austral News*. The Chairman of the company, Mr. Fergus McMaster, however, considers the service still to be in its infancy.

Went Into Oblivion To Escape U. K. Taxes

Miami, Feb. 15.

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Christened Marian Barbara, she was brought to the United States when she was six. She was educated at Hartford, Conn. During the World War she drove an ambulance in France, and after the war turned to speedboat racing as an outlet for her energies.

Although Miss Carstairs renounced the bustle and turbulence of civilization, she did not give up its comforts. She caused the matted mangrove jungle to be cleared away and much of the island to be landscaped.

She spent an estimated \$250,000 in the work, building a 10-room Spanish style house of cement blocks, constructing a highway system and laying out little farming plots which her employees, mostly Bahamian Negroes, cultivate.—United Press.

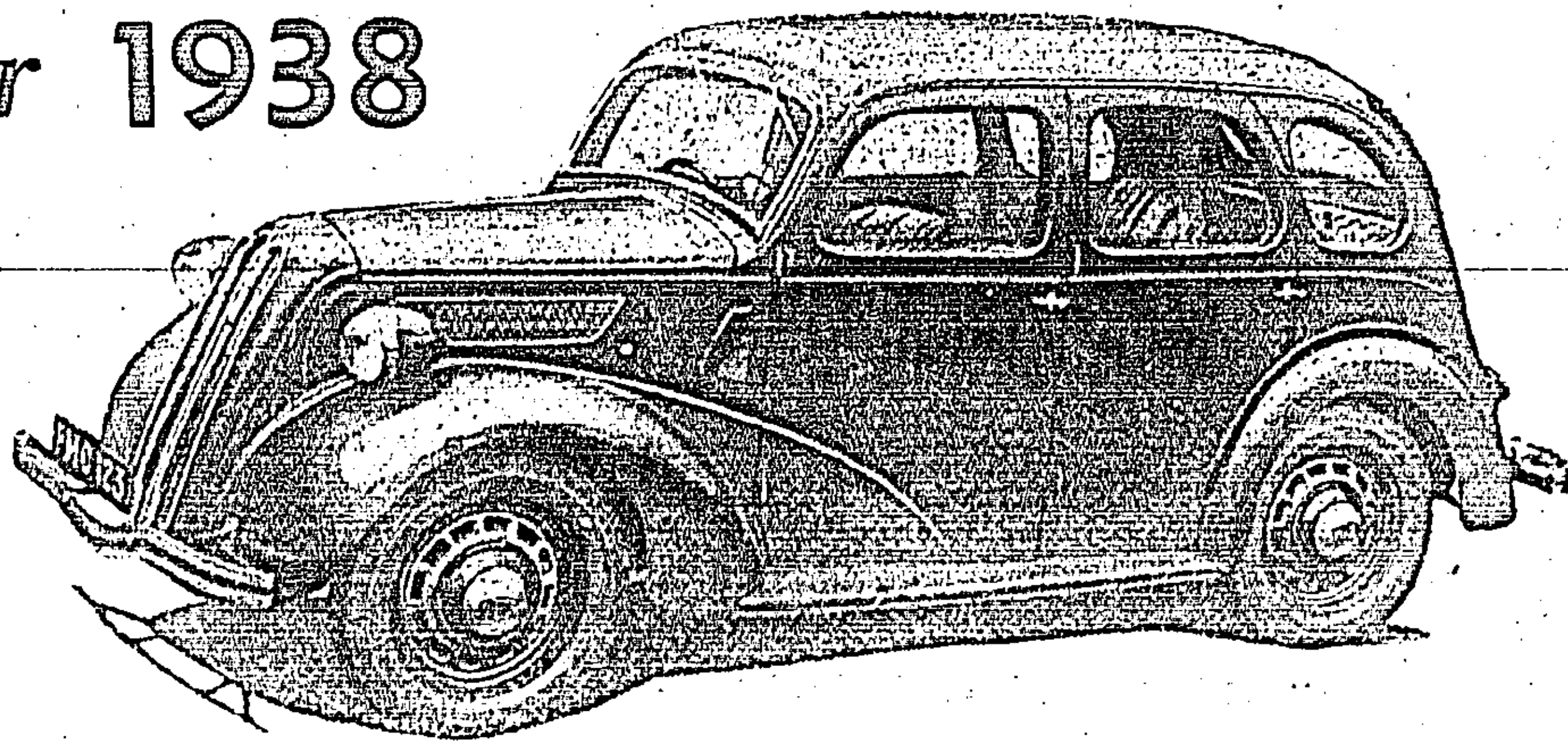
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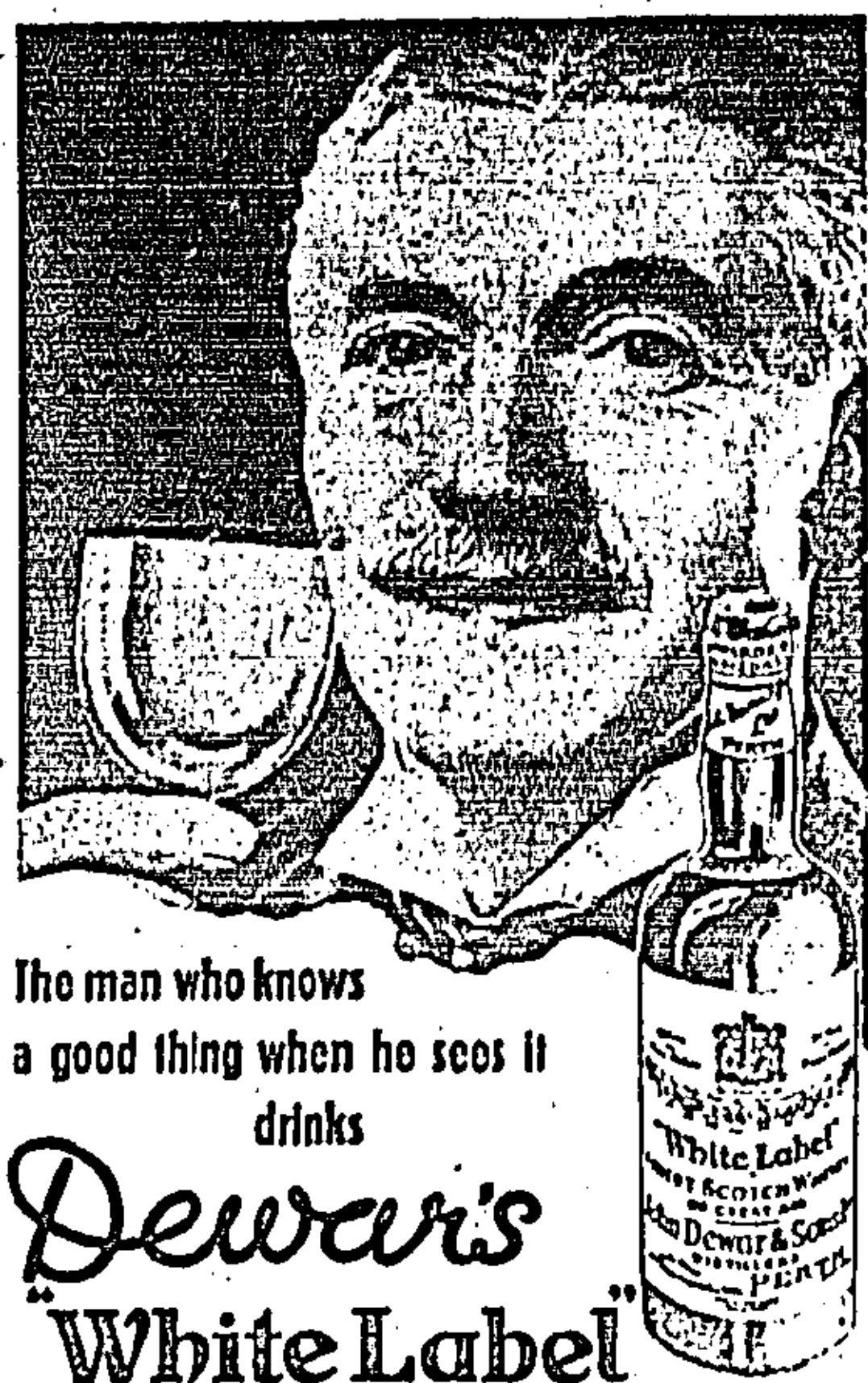
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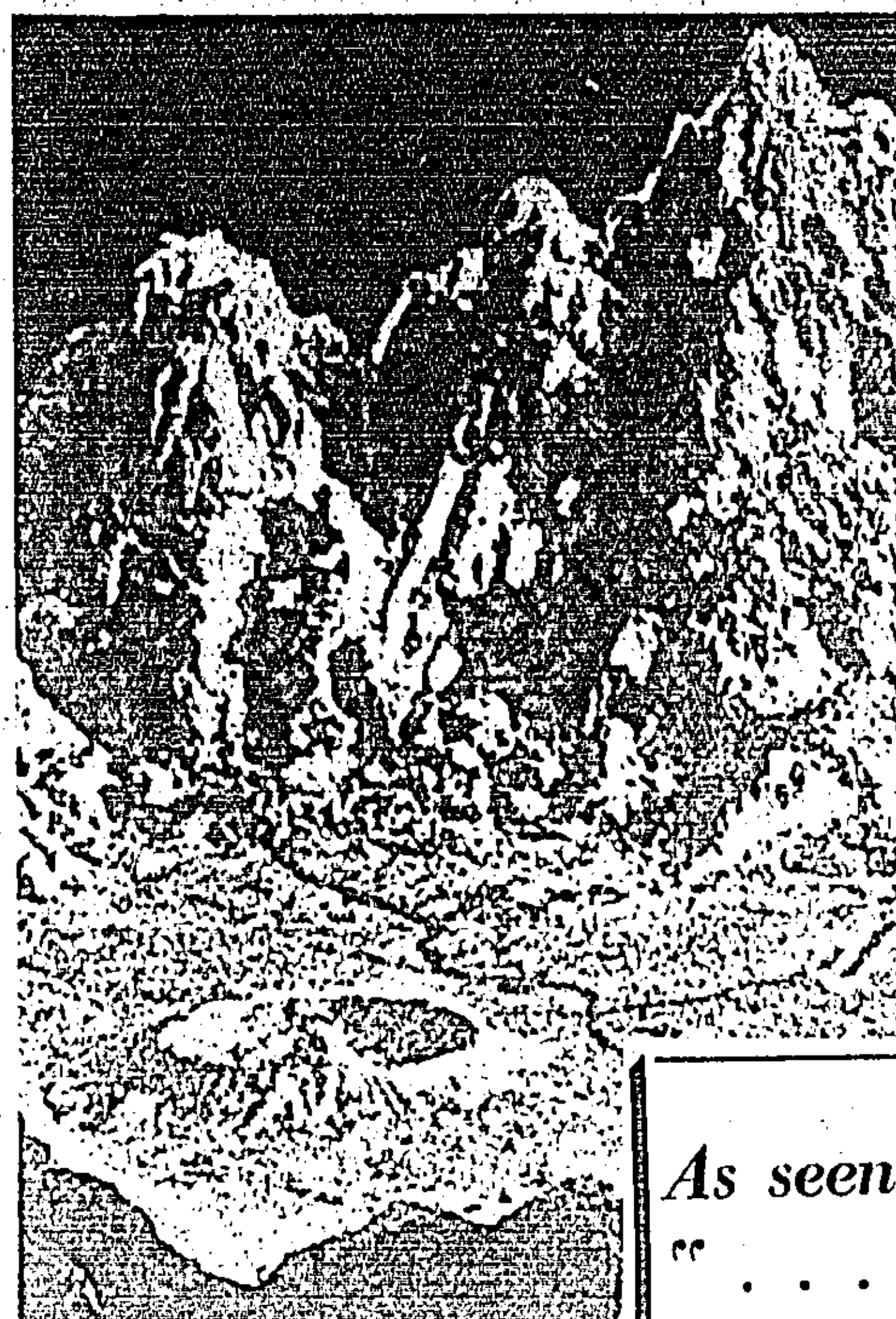
JAPAN GROWS RESTIVE

When Washington news-
papers express the opinion that
discontent is widespread in
Japan they may have strong
reasons for it. To some extent,
perhaps, the wish is father to
the thought; but there is no
doubt that certain elements in
the Japanese Diet are restless.
Their restiveness cannot be
wholly due to the slow progress
of Japanese armies in their cam-
paign on the mainland. For
actually, the Japanese successes
have been, or should have been,
sufficient to satisfy the most
ambitious.

It is all to China's advantage
if the critics of military tactics
cry loudly for more victories and
a deeper penetration of the
Chinese republic, however, for
their demands may result on a
speeding up of operations in spite
of the necessity for caution; and
generals may be inclined to
sacrifice safe communications
and sound consolidation for the
reckless sort of warfare which
pleases the public because it is
spectacular.

It is not known with any cer-
tainly why General Matsui was
recalled from China. It is
possible that he was removed
from command because of his
outspoken hostility to protracted
negotiations over the fate of the
Chinese Customs revenue. It is
possible that he was wanted for
some other work. Or it may be
that in Japan, as with other
nations at war, politics play a
not unimportant part in appoint-
ments in high places; and
General Matsui has been "axed"
like other able men in other
armies. Here again, whatever
the cause, the effect is not de-
trimental to China; for there
must be a certain amount of
anxiety among Japanese when
they consider that the general
whose armies have been adver-
tised as invincible and whose
casualties infinitesimal as com-
pared to those of his op-
ponents, has been suddenly
recalled. It is not unreasonable
to suppose that they may won-
der whether the picture is as
bright as it has been painted:
whether the newspapers in
Japan tell the whole story;
whether the army's and navy's
spokesmen are quite accurate
when they tell of Japanese air
raids which destroyed scores of
Chinese planes without the loss
of a single one of the attacking
force.

The impregnable Japanese air
defences have been broken, and
Chinese planes have reached
Formosa. On one side—the
Japanese—the casualties are
minimised and the impression is
given that the bombing raid was
a complete failure insofar as
military objectives were con-
cerned. The Chinese state that
they destroyed a number of air-
craft and important fixtures at
the base they attacked. This
discrepancy is relatively unim-
portant. What does count—



I HAD to climb a high
step-ladder to see it.
But when I had climb-
ed this step-ladder in a back
garden in South London I
saw something that only a
handful of men in the world
had seen.

It was a new star—a Nova—
and the step-ladder led to the
eyepiece of the great 20in. re-
flecting telescope with which
Dr. W. H. Stevenson, Fellow
and past President of the Royal
Astronomical Society, carries
out his nightly researches.

A pin-point of reddish light,
this was the new star which had
sent a ripple of excitement
through the ranks of astro-
nomers when it was discovered,
a few days before, by the
Swedish observer, Nils Tamm.

A sudden, stupendous explo-
sion of gases, many hundreds
of years ago, in those far confines
of the universe, and now the
rent star had just flared out
redly in the fields of our teles-
copes.

Pitiless Blaze

I CLIMBED down the
ladder gingerly, and
with two fingers the astronomer
swung the huge, howitzer-like
cylinder, weighing half a ton,
round on its fulcrum till it point-
ed at the nearly full moon. I
climbed the steps again.

Pain shot through my eyes as
the hard, pitiless white blaze
flooded them.

The sight of the moon in a
great telescope beggars descrip-
tion. You are no longer on
Earth. You have risen mira-
culously, supercharged and oxy-
gen-helmeted, to the empyrean.

You are within a few hundred
miles of a country where jagged
mountain peaks cast deep, stark
shadows as the sun beats down
through a cloudless, atmosphere-
less sky.

I VISIT the MOON

By

Roderick

Morison

As seen through the telescope
" . . . A world torn by the
impact of great meteorites . . .
canyons where you would
freeze to death . . . "

A Double Star

EASTWARD the big
cylinder swung. "I
am going to show you a double
star," said Dr. Stevenson.

I misheard him. "Devil
star?" I queried.

He laughed. "Devil star?"
Yes, I'll show you the Devil Star.
It happens to be a double star
as well."

And in a moment I was look-
ing at Algol—the "Ghoul" or
"Demon Star"—which excited
superstitious wonder in the
minds of the ancients because it
waxed and waned eternally.

Algol still loses and regains
three-fifths of its light once in
about 70 hours, but we know
now that the Demon has an in-
visible companion which, cir-
cling round it, partly eclipses it
every three days.

"Now for a good-looking dou-
ble star," said the astronomer,
and in the field of view I saw a
glittering drop-earring—two
jewel points, one golden-hued,
the other pale blue. Millions of
miles separated the two great
suns, which were yet bound to-
gether by the invisible chain of
gravitation.

And next it was Nova Her-
culis, the star which blazed out
suddenly in December 1934.
Through the little eye-lens shone
a lamp of purest emerald. A
point of light only. No teles-
cope yet made will show the
true disc of a star.

Unlike most Novae, this star
in the constellation Hercules re-
fuses to sink back into obscurity,
and it is now but little fainter
than it was a year ago.

A gentle nudge of the tele-
scope, and I came upon a great
scattering of diamonds, the
"grand light-stain"—as Sir Ro-
bert Ball once called it—of the
Hercules star-cluster.

There are 50,000 stars or more
in this group, and I was (and
still am) hurtling towards them
at some twelve miles a second.
But as they are a little matter of
204,299,360,000,000 miles
away . . .

Faces upturned in a South
London garden. . . leaves whis-
pering . . . terrestrial tea and
sandwiches and cakes waiting . . .

Says She Was Sold For £30

A 19-YEAR-OLD American girl
has just revealed to the San
Francisco police how she was sold
as a white slave for £30.

Following her revelations, police
made 40 arrests in lightning raids on
white slave dens in San Francisco
and cities round the Bay.

Among those arrested were several
policemen, it is stated, but names
are being withheld (reports the
Daily Herald San Francisco corre-
spondent).

The story of the 19-year-old girl,
Jeanne Marjorie Walters, is borne
out by another girl, aged only 16.

Film-struck, Jeanne left home for
Hollywood, but her money ran out,
she took a job as a barmaid, and
was tricked by a man called Mc-
Gregor into white slavery.

"He offered me a job," she de-
clared, "but actually he sold me for
\$100."

Moved continually from one place
to another, she was kept under
watch all the time—until the day
when she managed to escape and
tell her story to the police.

THE "VERY IDEA"

ALL IS NOT GOLD-FISH THAT GOES INTO THE FRYING-PAN

By EDDIE "FISHFACE" KELLY

A READER of the South China Morning Post wants to know how to
bring up gold-fish.

He should have written to us. Let us tell you that anything we don't
know about gold-fish, the gold-fish don't know about it either.

and must be recognised by the
Japanese authorities—is the
moral effect of this piercing of
the Japanese inner defences by
a daring Chinese squadron. It
does not matter that the raiders
were led by an American and
that Russians and other Euro-
peans probably took part. The
fact is that Japanese citizens
will not feel themselves so
secure, for already the air raid
alarms have sounded in many
cities in Japan and whole dis-
tricts have been warned of an
approaching enemy raider. It
is not too much to say that few
Japanese ever expected this sort
of treatment at the hands of the
Chinese.

Here, then, are a few of the
reasons why Japan's politicians
may be restive and why there
are indications of discontent in
the country. The symptoms
mean that the Japanese are
awakening to the fact that the
war in China is not exactly a
series of manoeuvres and easy
victories and that they may
have to pay dearly for the land
they have seized in Asia. But
they do not mean that a pol-
itical upheaval is imminent, and
that is what Washington papers
seem to imply.

Our missus and us, we once sat up all night with
a sick gold-fish. Whooping cough was the trouble.

We did everything in our power, but the Grim Reaper claim-
ed out little Jim, and he passed over the Great Divide with one
faint, final whoop.

Our wife, with the desperate insolence borne of grief, turn-
ed to us and said: "I told you that rum you gave him wouldn't
do him any good."

WE just glanced at her and left the room. It was months be-
fore we would speak to her again.

We now pursue our studies alone. We have watched the
fish through its life span.

Cradled it through birth, nur-
sed it through the anxious stages
of adolescence when its charac-
ter was being formed, watched
it grow bigger and bigger until
it got curvature of the spine
swimming around the bowl.

We saw it develop the home
instinct as it reached its teens.
One female gold-fish we had
climbed out of the water every
day to polish the outside of the
bowl.

Before the missus left us
after our quarrel about little

Jim, we spent many an interest-
ing hour together, teaching the
little chapples to swim.

We would stand on one side
of the bowl, making paddling
motions with our hands and one
foot, and the missus would stand
on the other side encouraging
the fish "Come along, bubble . . .
Bubble-wubble, come to mamma."

They learnt in no time. They
weren't so hot on the American
crawl, but you should have seen
them on the breast stroke.

So there you are.

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PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1938

Readers are invited
to submit photographs
of local interest for
publication in this
supplement.



"SO SAD ABOUT EUROPE" was one of the one act plays given by members of St. Andrew's Club recently. The cast is shown above. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



THIS INTERESTING PHOTOGRAPH was taken at a reunion of Old Boys of the Government Central School, each of whom attended its classes half a century ago. They are (back row) Messrs. Lai Kam-fai, Fung Ki-cheuk, Shi Yu-man, B. Wong Taps, Pun Yun-fong, Hung Hing-fai, (front row) Lo Cheung-ip, Pang Shau-chun, Ho Kom-tong, Frank W. White, Walter Bosman, Ho U-ming, Chiu Ho-ping, and Yeung Cheuk-kai. (Photo: A. Fong).



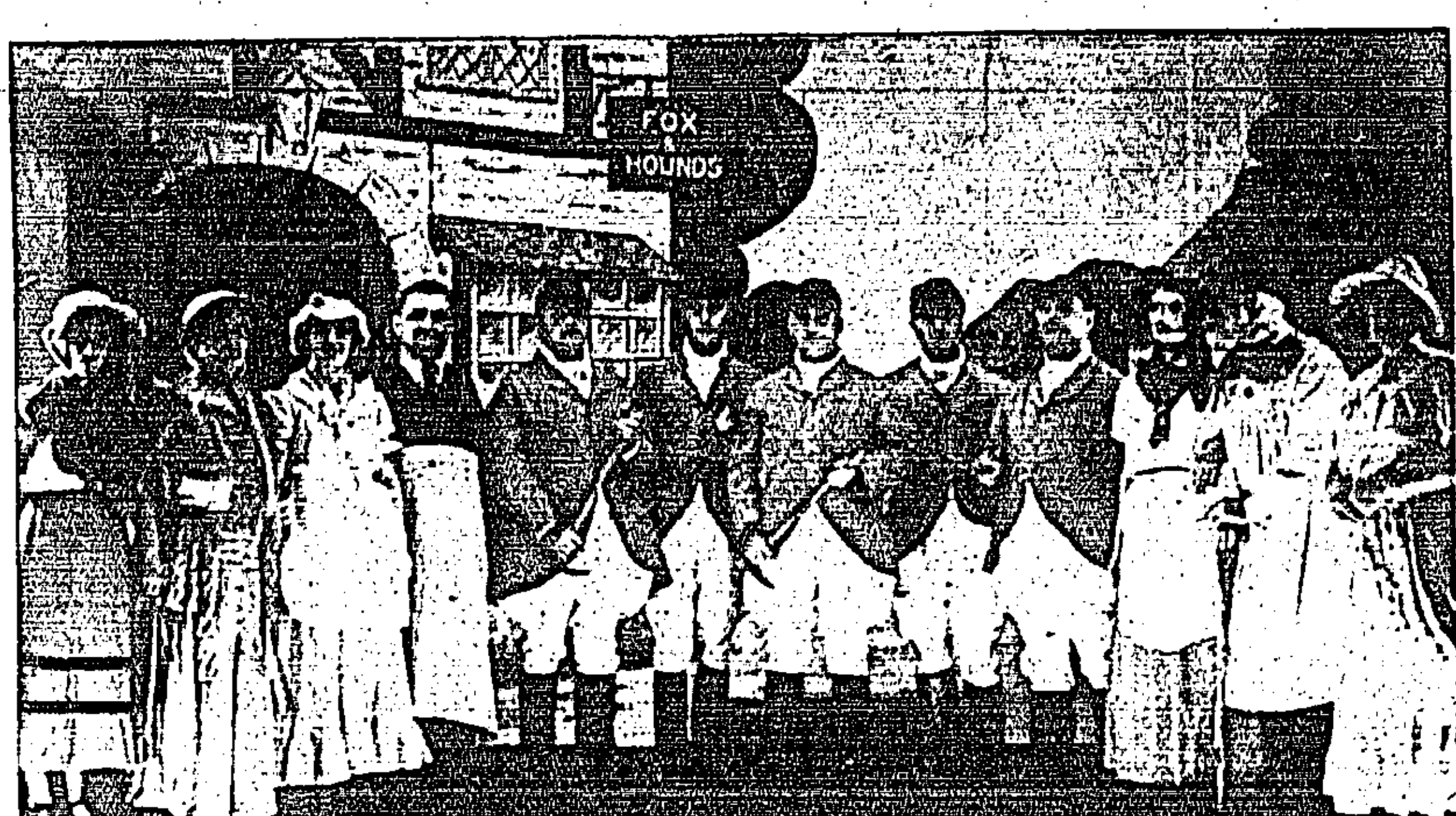
ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PLAY presented by St. Andrew's Club recently was "The Kiss", cast of which is shown above. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



TWO DEMURE YOUNGSTERS, the Tuxman sisters, who will participate in the O'Keefe School of Dancing display which will be held shortly. (Photo: King's Studio.)



EXQUISITE CHINESE GOWNS contrasting with the sombre black of men's occidental fashions, were in evidence at the wedding recently of Mr. S. K. Sung, of China Underwriters Ltd. to Miss S. Y. Lee, daughter of Dr. Lee Ying-yau. (Photo: Ming-Yuen).



ST. ANDREW'S CLUB members who formed the cast of "In The Pink", a delightful one act-play presented by the Club recently. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



WEDDING GROUP at the marriage, held at the Registry office recently, of Mr. Ernest Goddard and Miss Annie Frances Lam. (Photo: Hollywood Studios).

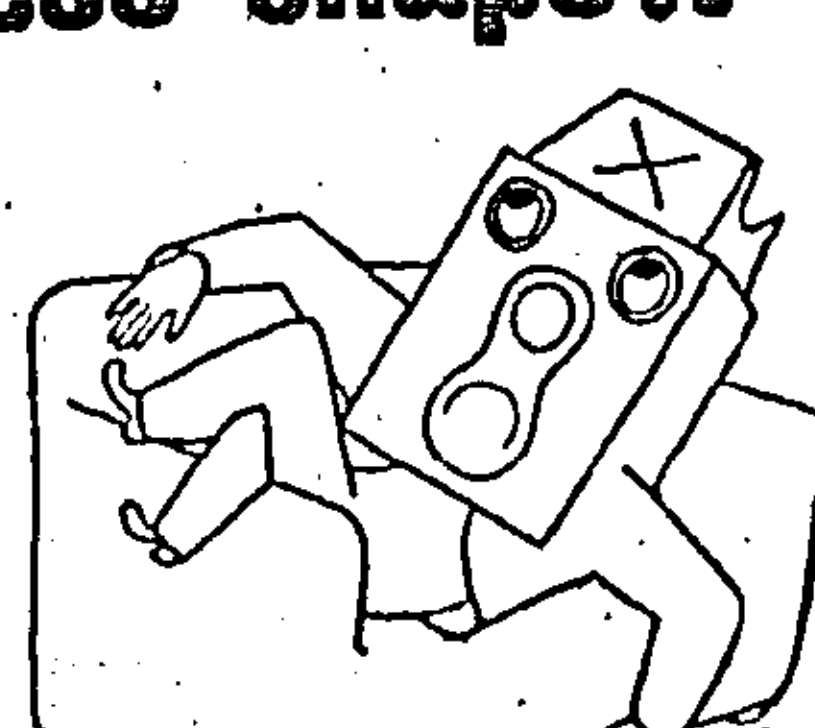


MEN OF THE SEAFORTH'S HIGHLANDERS at a recent Scottish Church Parade at the Union Church, Hongkong. These men will leave Hongkong next month for Shanghai. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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GROUP PHOTOGRAPH taken after the wedding this week of Mr. A. H. F. Rowe, of the Royal Air Force, and Miss Laura Colman. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



A DELIGHTFUL PICTURE taken at the wedding this week of Mr. A. H. F. Rowe, of the Royal Air Force, and Miss Laura Colman. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

FROM the WOMAN'S PAGE

Letter to The Girl I Didn't Marry from PETER KENT



My dear Pam,
I like you, you know. I like the way you do your hair. I like the way you dress. I love the way you say "darling."

I think you say "darling" better than any girl I know.

But I'd never think of marrying you, although I have often imagined myself to be in love with you. Anyway, I see now that there is somebody who loves you more than I do, and I feel that I wouldn't stand much of a chance.

Opposition

Oh, yes, I know all about my rival! I wouldn't go so far as to say that I've been aware of opposition all along.

But I see now that it's a case of two people being in love with the same girl. And I've come to the conclusion that it is better for all concerned that I should stand down.

Don't think I'm trying to be heroic. I am not dropping out in order to let the better man go in and win. It's just that I don't want to stand in the way of your happiness. I don't think you really love me.

The Truth

I AM sorry that I didn't find out the truth sooner. I cannot understand why you encouraged me so much—unless it was because you don't realise the position yourself. I can hardly believe that.

Do you know, when you first called me "darling" it sent quite a thrill right through me? You see, I wasn't used to being called "darling," and I was simple enough to think that the word had some significance. Wasn't it silly of me?

As a matter of fact, I still do think that the word "darling" is primarily intended to be used as a term of endearment—but not when you say it. When I heard you talking on the phone to a man, you professed to dislike intensely, and addressing him as "darling" throughout, I realised that the word meant nothing to you at all.

You probably call everybody "darling" because some wretched man (I dare say it was I) once told you that you said it rather nicely. You do. That's the trouble.

I Forgave

WHEN you used to tell me that you'd be ready by 7.30 and then turn up at 8.15, I was always prepared to forgive you. Your excuse that you had only been trying to look especially nice for my benefit may not have been very original but it was usually good enough for me.

It never occurred to me then that there was a rival in the field who, more often than not, was responsible for making you late. Now don't get excited and say, "What on earth is the man talking about?" Wait until you've finished reading this.

Although you were continually asking me how I liked to do your hair, what colour I thought suited you best, whether or not I liked bright nail-polish on your nails, you never once acted on my advice. Not that I should ever expect a woman to take much notice of my opinion on such matters.

Looked Hurt

BUT really, you know, you were so persistent in your efforts to find out just what I thought of you. You were always asking me such questions as: "Do you think I should wear green, darling?" or "Do you think my new shade of lipstick suits me?"—(sorry, I almost forgot). And if I happened to say no to both questions, you'd immediately look rather hurt and say you tried so hard to please me. Then, of course, I would have to say that



My rival persuaded you to wear the sort of hats I could not stand at any price.

you'd look lovely in anything in order to make you smile again.

For My Sake

BUT I am afraid you seldom tried very hard to please me. Naturally I understand now that you couldn't please both of us at once when we so obviously had entirely different tastes. You might, however, have compromised sometimes just for my sake. Did you ever think of doing that?

If I honestly thought I could get you away from this lover of yours I'd try to do it. Because, frankly, I believe that sooner or later you are going to be let down very badly. And I don't like seeing good material being wasted.

I know that when you are alone—absolutely alone, I mean—you are

quite a different sort of person. I know that by the letter you once wrote me when I went away for a week-end. It was really an awfully nice letter and I think you must have been very much in love with me then.

Can't Stand It

BUT, as soon as I returned, the first thing you said was: "And, of course, it was one of those hats which I couldn't stand at any price. You never thought of asking me what sort of time I had had. You didn't, in fact, seem particularly pleased to see me, although in your letter you had said that you could scarcely wait until I returned."

Good-bye

I KNOW now why you weren't so pleased to see me on that occasion. My rival must have got back just ahead of me and poisoned your mind.

Yes, I mean poisoned your mind. And I'd tell him so to his face if he were a man.

But, my dear Pam, this rival of mine is not a man. It's a silly young girl who is desperately in love with herself.

No, I am afraid I could never marry you. I just couldn't compete with you for your own affections. Good-bye, Pam—darling!

DUCHESS NO. THREE

By Cyril F. J. Hankinson Editor of "Debrett"

WHILE it is somewhat of an exaggeration to suggest that the whole Table of Social Precedence was upset by the publication of the various works of reference which make their annual appearance about this time of the year will reveal that in the Royal Family many important changes have taken place.

These can be seen clearly in the appended lists of the Order of Precedence in the two reigns, from which it will be noted that the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret as daughters instead of nieces of the Sovereign move up several places in the scale, while the Duke of Windsor drops to the position of the youngest brother of the Sovereign.

Well Defined Rules

INQUIRY in official circles reveals that—contrary to what has been stated the Duchess of Windsor, although she has not been granted the style of "H.R.H.," nevertheless derives her precedence in the normal way from her husband, and ranks, therefore, next below the Duchess of Kent.

The Tables of Precedence follow certain well defined rules, and these, acquainted with the principles governing them, have little difficulty in working out the order in which to place anyone who falls within their scope.

It should be noted, however, that while in the main precedence is acquired by birth, marriage, or the conferment of an honour, the holders of certain offices were allotted special positions.

For instance, after the Sovereign's great-aunts, follow the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor, the Archbishop of York, and the Prime Minister.

Precedence in the Royal Family is largely governed by nearness in relationship to the Sovereign, but does not always follow the Order of Succession to the Throne.

A Lady's Rank

AFTER the Royal Family, excluding the holders of certain high offices mentioned above, follow the Dukes in the order of the creation of their Dukedoms.

The age of the Duke or the number of years which he has held his title has no bearing on his precedence.

The sons and daughters of persons of title as far down in the scale as Knights Bachelor are all granted positions in the Tables of Precedence, the eldest sons being usually several degrees higher than their younger brothers.

The eldest son of a Knight Bachelor, for instance, ranks before a

Precedence in the two Reigns.

Edward VIII. Queen Mary. Duke of York. Princess Royal. Duke of Gloucester. Duchess of York. Duke of Kent. Duchess of Gloucester. Prince Edward of Kent. Princess Elizabeth. Princess Margaret.

George VI. The Queen. Duke of Gloucester. Queen Mary. Duke of Windsor. Princess Elizabeth. Prince of Wales. Princess Margaret. Prince Edward of Kent. Duchess of Kent. Duchess of Windsor.

*As Aunt of the King, the Queen of Norway would have followed the Duchess of Kent, but for the fact that she married a reigning Sovereign.

Member of the Victorian Order (5th class), while his younger brother is four places lower, following the younger son of a Baronet.

The eldest daughters of Peers are not distinguished from their younger sisters, and actually all daughters are allotted a position in the Table for Ladies of a relatively higher degree than their younger brothers.

The term Lady (prefixed to the Christian name) too is applied to the daughters of Earls as well as those of Dukes and Marquesses, while the younger sons of Earls are styled Hon. in the same way as the sons of Viscounts and Barons.

As a general rule a Lady does not lose the rank into which she was born on marriage, for if her husband is of lower degree than herself she retains her former style and precedence.

There is, however, one notable exception to this, in that the wives of Peers, unless they themselves are Peeresses in their own right of a higher degree, take the rank of their husband. The daughter of a Peer marrying a Peer of two degrees lower than her father will lose rank.

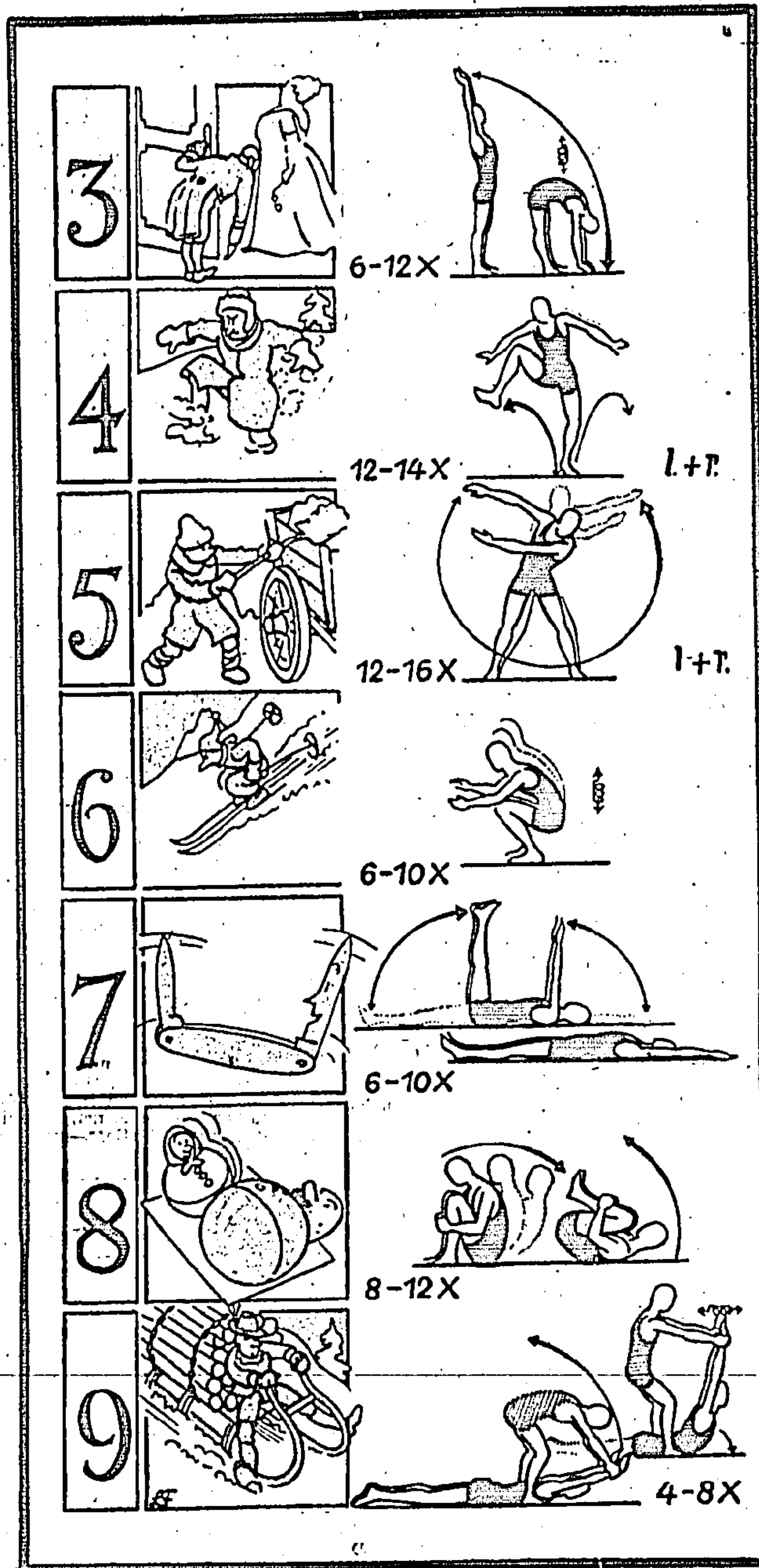
During the past year a very large number of honours have been bestowed, including the appointment of the Queen as a Lady of the Order of the Garter and as the first Lady of the Order of the Thistle, and the admission of many women to the Royal Victorian Order, which was only last year extended to permit of their inclusion.

A comparison of the number of honours granted during the Coronation years of King Edward VII., King George V., and King George VI. is given in the following table:

	1902	1911	1937
Peers	7	13	17
Baronets	25	35	14
Knights	233	351	272

The number of titled persons is growing, for during the past ten years 125 peerages have been created and only 18 have become extinct, and 123 new baronetcies are on the roll in place of 106 which have become extinct.

Keep-fit calendar for March begins to-day...



It's always the same, ask any one whether they take as much exercise as they should and, ten to one, they'll answer: "No." Ask them—ask yourself, for that matter—why not, and the answer won't come quite so nat. In the end they'll probably say it's laziness.

Really

It's not as bad as that. The demands made nowadays on any busy man's or woman's time don't leave enough over for playing games or joining gymnastic classes. That's where the *Telegraph* Keep-Fit Calendar comes in. It takes up no more than a minute or two, needs no apparatus and no mastering of such weighty phrases as body balance or muscle toning.

Rather

than having to fish under the bed for the book of words of some gymnastic system, you get your day's instructions—WITHOUT words, please note—delivered in your *Telegraph*. Then all you do is imitate the little man in the pictures.

Simple

as the exercises look—and undoubtedly are—you'll find they make a great difference to your figure and your self-respect. All the exercises are natural movements based on the motions made by those able to ski, run, jump, chop wood and do many of the things that you, perhaps, living in a town, or you, maybe, too busy on the farm, cannot find time for.

Remember these seven points

- 1 Do exactly what you see in the picture for the day, wearing as few clothes as possible.
- 2 Keep your feet parallel and pointing exactly forwards all the time.
- 3 Breathe OUT vigorously through your mouth whenever BENDING and IN deeply through your nose whenever STRETCHING.
- 4 First do each exercise twice in slow-motion, then in normal time, first in one then the opposite direction.
- 5 Figures beside each picture indicate the number of times you should do the exercise: 12-14 X 1-2, for instance, means do the exercise at least twelve times, fourteen if you can, to both left and right.
- 6 When you see an arrow-pointed spring, do four springy post-movements as it indicates.
- 7 Always combine the seven exercises of the week's group, adding one new one each day.

CHESS—The Nerve-Destroying Monster

By Patrick Murphy

THE Hastings Chess Congress, has added to the reputations of the Polish and Estonian masters, Reshevsky and Keres.

But, what is more important to us, it has revealed the magnificent talent of a young English Public School Mathematics master, Mr. C. H. Alexander, of Winchester, who has been chosen to represent England in the tournament.

These congresses, which have grown up in this country in the last few years, have done wonders for British chess. Since their advent the number of chess-players in England has increased rapidly and is now well over 1,500,000.

The accumulated learning of years is brought to bear on these tournament games.

Some famous players succeed by the aid of phenomenal memories, in

which great combinations and their variations are crammed and stored over a period of 20 or 30 years. Others, with brilliantly original chess minds, adjust themselves to the position at hand and play out each game with fresh thought.

45 Minutes One Move

ON Monday of this week the English hope throughout this tournament, Mr. Alexander, deliber-

ated for half an hour before making his eighth move. His opponent, Reshevsky, took more than three-quarters of an hour to decide his eleventh move, with the result that later in the game both were so short of time that Reshevsky had to make ten moves in six minutes.

Reshevsky is one of those young men who prove chess to be anything but a game. It seems that a man is born with a chess mind just as he is born a musician. Reshevsky used to give exhibitions in public in Vienna when he was six and seven years old. He defeated Capablanca when he was 20, two years ago.

I know no player who is more delightful to watch than Sir George Thomas, the tall, white-haired ex-British champion, who for so long has borne the brunt of chess assaults from the great foreign masters.

He is an all-round sportsman, and I am sure the game is much more a game to him than to most other great players.

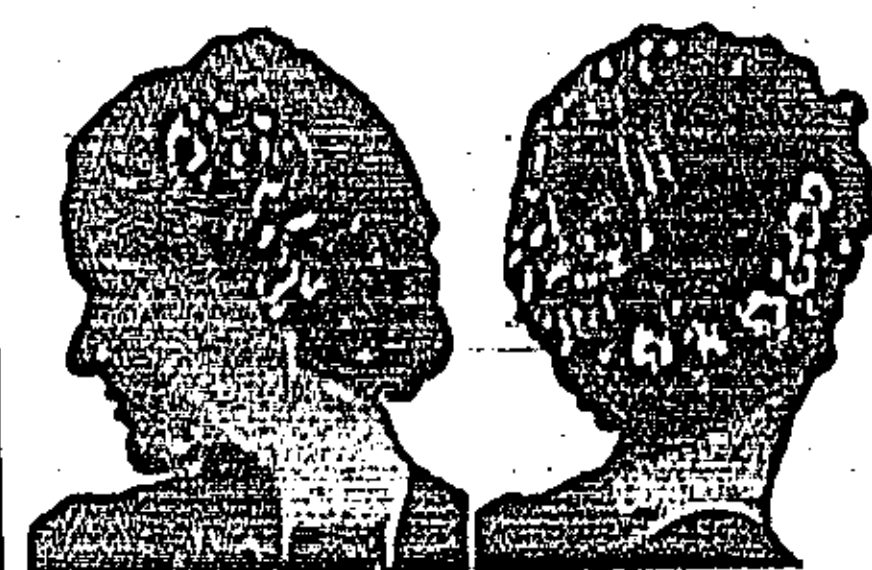
Chess is a game which you study and play at your leisure and do not treat too seriously, or it is a nerve-destroying monster which masters every moment of your life.

If ambition drives you to attempt to follow in the steps of Capablanca and Alekhine, then sell your home, settle your wife and family so that they call on you once a year, get yourself a dumb man-servant, and give up your entire life to the endless study of the game.

Sir George Thomas has through extraordinary talent, been able to remain an enchanting person and still be counted one of the really fine chess players of his time.

But in my experience the two dominating personalities which the game has produced have been Capablanca and Alekhine. Alekhine has given a vast amount of his time and fine talent to making himself the great player he is.

Capablanca treated chess more as a hobby. He was a diplomat, and actually could not, at times, get all the chess he would have liked. He is quick and decisive and does not like long ponderings over moves. Immediately he has made his move he will, as a rule, leave his table and go to watch someone else play or wander about the room. He will return and make his next move in the minimum of time.



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Another Minute Mystery



How good a detective are you?

PROFESSOR FORDNEY picked up a chunk of lime from the single heel impression on the edge of the dahlia bed, while Henry lamented the damage done to his flowers. "Here I spend the whole morning fussin' with them flowers, coverin' the bed with fertiliser, pullin' up weeds, and now look at 'em." Fordney sympathised with the old gardener as he glanced up at the second-storey window of Dillingham's laboratory directly above. It had been ransacked and a large quantity of narcotics stolen.

Re-entering the building, he went upstairs where he found the doctor's son wiping the windowsill. He smiled. He had already observed heel marks there.

"Had those tennis shoes on all day?" he asked the young man.

"Why—er, yes, sir."

"Suppose you tell me just how you happened to see this burglar?"

"Well, about two o'clock this afternoon I came upstairs for some aspirin because I had a bad headache. The door was open and I saw a man in this room. There wasn't any one else around and I was afraid to attract his attention, so I just stood quietly in the hall and watched. He took Dad's gun from the desk drawer and then he opened the cabinet with a chisel and put the drugs in a little sack he carried."

"Just then I sneezed. He dropped that cigar over there, jumped from the window and escaped."

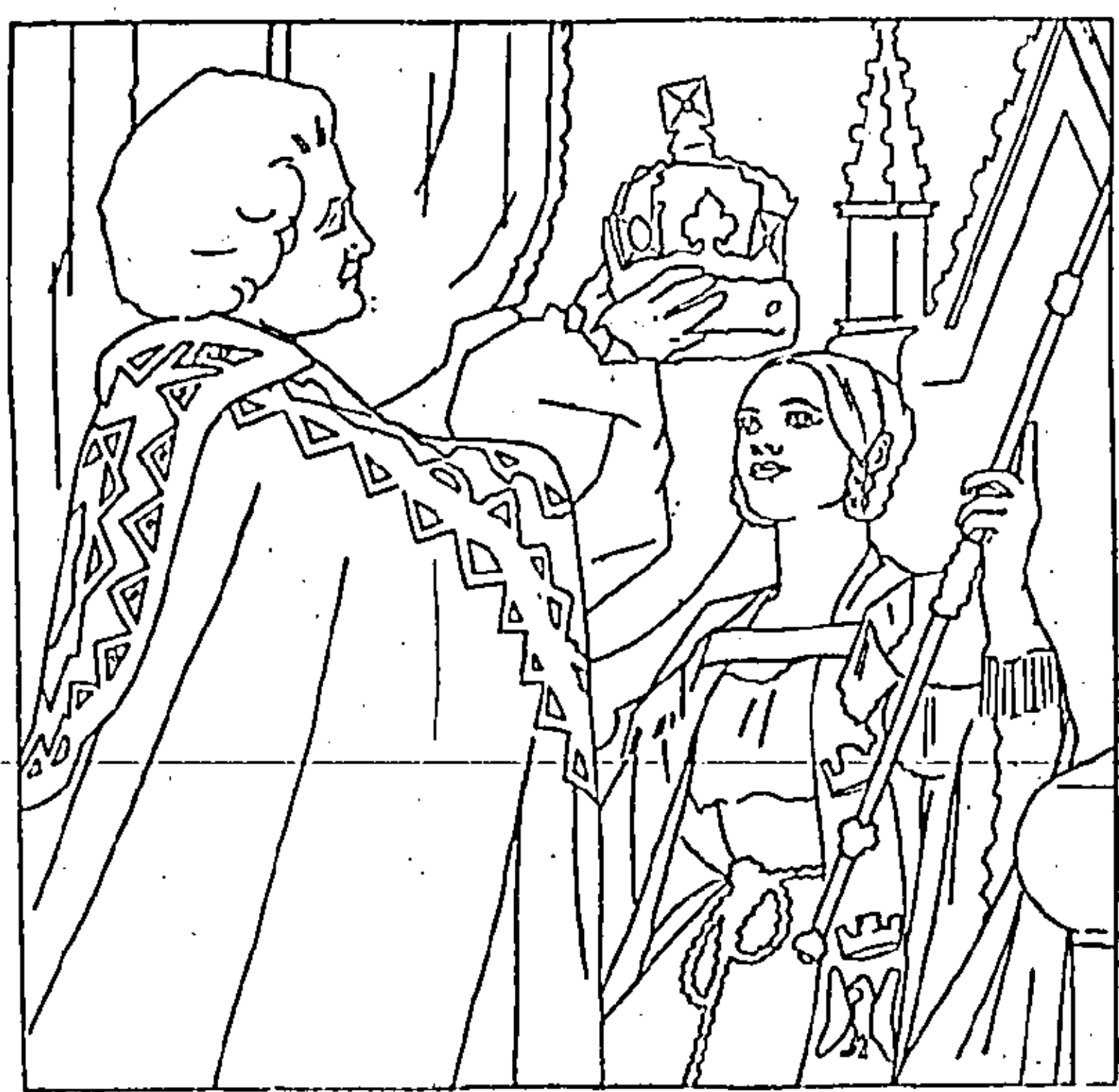
The Professor carefully studied the chisel marks on the cabinet.

"This is a serious matter, my boy. Don't you want to tell me the truth before your father returns?" he asked.

The Professor knew the doctor's son was implicated in the theft. How?

The solution is upside down at the foot of Column Four.

Girls' and Boys' Corner



This is all my own work

Name Age

Dear Kiddies,
Last week's "Find the Month" competition caught most of you guessing. It was a wee bit difficult, but for some of you, especially among the Juniors. Never mind, though. This week's competition will be much better.

C. E. Clark (aged 12), 19, Hillwood Road, Kowloon, is awarded the Senior prize. The Junior prize goes to Susan Robertson (aged 6), 65 Stanley.

Will C. E. Clark and Susan call at the office of the "Hongkong Telegraph" in Wyndham Street for their prizes?

Specially commended for excellent work are Yacult Cooper, 10, Horlock, K. Martin, Charles Foster, Eva Grady and Diana Hosking (Seniors) and Roy King, a Junior competitor.

Ricardo Ribeiro: Thank you very much for your lovely drawings of birds and flowers.

Manuela da Luz has apparently had a rather nasty joke played on her. You see, I announced last week that she was too old to enter for the competitions and Manuela got the shock of her life as she had never sent me an entry. It is a mistake.

Kelth Martin: Thanks for your drawing of the English Warrior.

A. Brown and S. A. Bux: Thank you very much for your contributions.

This week's competition is just plain painting or crayoning. On this page you will see a sketch of Queen Victoria's Coronation. Paint it as gaily as you can. Fill in the coupon with your name, address and age and send to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph," Wyndham Street, before 4 p.m. on Wednesday.

When the present stock of prizes is exhausted it is intended to present cash coupons in order to allow successful competitors to buy their own prizes. The senior prize will be \$5 and the Junior prize \$3 each week. Coupons will be posted to successful competitors.

Uncle Eddie

Joko

—From S. J. Bux.
"Tell me, Wally, how many p's are there in soup?"
"Please sir, Mother always puts two cents worth in ours."

Poem on last week's competition

—By Ada Foster.
August is the time to swim,
January snowfalls are white and clean
Rejoice in the sun and the weather,
April showers make very wet weather,
March is the month the wind goes
whistling.

July holidays are good for you June the roses are in bloom. February weather is full of bloom. May we have the Queen and a crown. October leaves begin to turn brown. December Santa brings the toys. November Guy Fawkes are for girls and boys.

Story

—From S. S. Bux.
Once a stork was flying round and round the seashore looking for food. Suddenly she saw a big clam open her shell lying on the shore. Without thinking, the stork darted down and thrust her long bill into the clam. But the latter quickly closed her shell and trapped the stork. During the struggle a fisherman found them and took the stork and clam home. This is an excellent fable to work on.

Land of Make-Believe

—By Yacult Cooper.
Every day when my homework is done I like to sit and knit by the fire. And I sing to myself and sometimes hum.
Or pretend I'm a maiden in distress so dire!
Oh dear! I am tied to a tree in a wood By my uncle, a rascally knave. The dragon near by thinks he'll have me for food. But my knight comes, my life he saves!
I picture myself with long raven locks A girl full of beauty and grace. (Where the truth is to be known, I've a very snub nose.)
And I reckon all over my face! My knight is so handsome and daring and bold.
He has no earthly foe. The dragon is soon quite dead and cold. And in the dust laid low. My hero there comes and sets me free. I thank him on my knees. He says, "Will you kindly marry me?"
And then I say, "Yes, please!" I am married in silk and satin gay. With a joy that is hard to conceive. And I smile and I laugh on that happy day.
In the Land of Make-Believe

How to get Fat

—From S. E. M. Bux.
There was once a man who was so thin that he was ashamed to go out into the streets because everybody would laugh at him. One day he happened to notice a slot-machine with the notice on it: Drop one shilling into the slot and learn how to get fat.
He immediately dropped in a shilling. Out came a paper on which was written the words: Get it at the butcher's shop.

LORD DONEGALL says— If Women Want to Please Men . . .

HERE'S an article I've been wanting for a long time to address particularly to young women readers. And as it concerns their behaviour towards men you all may as well read it—men too.

I want to see more women today going all out to please men, to cultivate fascination, subtle attractiveness—call it what you will—that mysterious quality that makes men (and other women) talk and think about you.

Let me try to bring the whole subject down to a few simple "do's" and "don't's."

My Red Carnation

WE go out to parties occasionally, and whenever I call for the butler hands me a red carnation for the buttonhole of my evening clothes. It's the fact that she has taken the trouble to order it, that there is nothing savouring of ostentation, nothing embarrassing about it that shows her thoughtfulness.

So I give you that tip. A lot of girls think that they demean themselves if they offer any reciprocity to a young man. They haven't the brains to know the difference between thoughtfulness and "chusing a man."

Don't, if you are married or engaged, run down your man to another man so as to flatter your listener. This is chiefly a fault in young married women bordering on 30. Far from making an impression or inducing pity this sort of disloyalty is abhorrent to most men.

If you say of your husband: "He's

Conduct Code for Young Women

DON'T—

Run down your husband, Use baby-talk or scandal, Be patronising or mean to other women, Forget to pay men for your bets.

DO—

Try to listen.

so mean. I'd cry if he gave me a bunch of violets," it is quite possible that the man you say it to is with your husband when he bought you that bracelet for Christmas. That happened to me once, and I haven't spoken to the woman since. The husband is still wondering why I "don't get on" with his wife.

Don't go in for baby-talk. Baby-talk is the death of an evening. There is a wave of it at the moment, but resist it. Make that a big resolution.

Anyone who talks "baby-talk" should be imprisoned in a padded nursery. Shirley Temple doesn't talk "baby-talk." So why on earth should grown-up women do so? You know the type of thing:

"Oo! What's he done to his fumb?"
"I cut it shaving!" (slightly terse).
"It's all oozy!"
"What does that mean?" (fed to the teeth).
"Goosy-woosy!" (At this point, the murder occurs.)

She Never Pays

RESOLVE not to make bets with men and "forget" to pay. It is never the enthusiastic "horsey" type of woman who does this on a racecourse. It is the occasional race-goer who wants ten bob on a statement because she likes the colours. She never pays up.

Actually, one could stand the bet and save the ten shillings were it not for the possibility that Catmeat might romp home at 100-1. She would remember then all right!

Do, at least, try to listen! Many good talkers are equally good listeners, and many women have been called "good company" because they never interrupt at the wrong moment.

But few women in this world are prepared to listen to intelligent conversation. If you have a luncheon party of six people, it is almost impossible to get any intelligent talk short of turning the party into a debating society, with the host as chairman.

And this is not to be recommended unless you happen to be a conversational genius like Lady Cunard.

I remember a case in point. Leslie Hore-Belisha and H. G. Wells were

Solution

The answers to the problems George set are (1) Tulips do not grow from seeds in a year, they grow from bulbs. (2) 4, 7, 10, 13, 16. (3) Two hours for two days, 4 hours for 4 days, 6 hours for 6 days, 12 hours for 12 days.

having a discussion about Russia across the table. I was out of my depth, so I shut up and wanted to listen.

Of the three women, the hostess did the same as I did. One of the others continually interpolated bromide remarks into the discussion, and the third, who did not want to listen, kept trying to start a rival conversation with me about the Riviera in winter.

So it always is. Don't join the ranks of what I call the Scandal Group. A branch of it exists in every town.

Suppose that a couple become estranged and a sensational divorce case seems likely. The Scandal Group immediately gets to work, decides which party (generally the woman, who is wrong, and having man) is in the wrong, and having nothing better to do, makes the differences of Mr. and Mrs. X into as much a dinner-table issue as Fascism v. Communism.

Give Her Credit

LASTLY, a word or two about women. They are assessing your allure and fascination all the time just as much as the men.

Don't remind a mixed company that you were at school with a woman who looks half your age. Give her the credit for having taken the trouble to preserve her good looks.

And why tell your women friends to go to the wrong hairdresser or steam the labels off your face-cream pots so that no one can imitate your lovely complexion? Such petty things. So unworthy.

And as a final injunction don't be patronising to older women: be good mannered and no more. Don't step aside ostentatiously to let a woman of 40 pass through a door. It makes her feel 80.

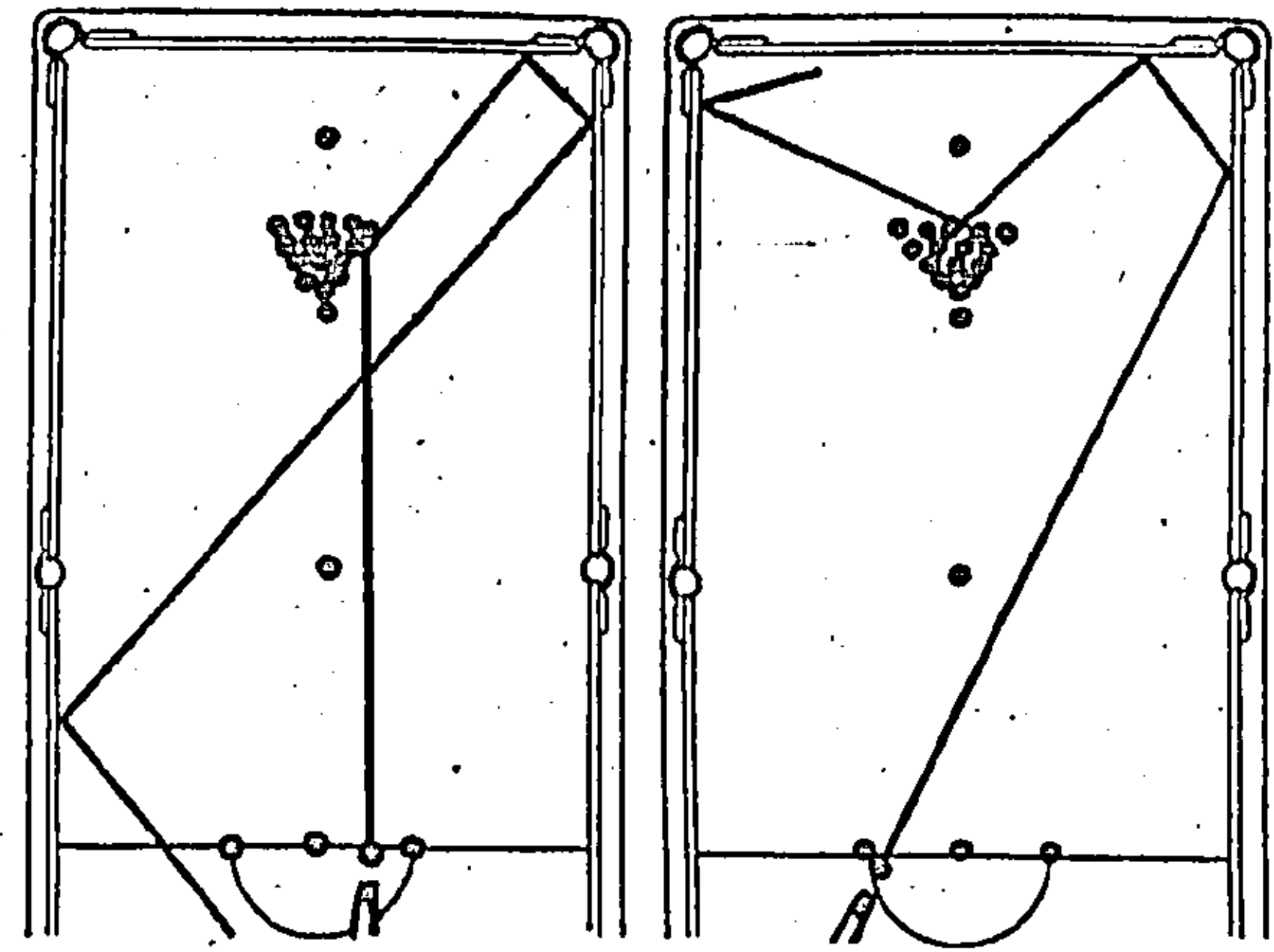
P.S.: Just a word on that theme to my own sex. Golden Rule: Before you call a man "Sir" (I don't mean employees, etc.), be sure that he is at least old enough to be your father. If he is not, he will regard it as highly inelicitous—not to say plain offensive.

Minute Mystery Solution

THE thief was a woman who had committed the theft of a diamond necklace from a snooker player's pocket. The woman was a snooker player herself and had been playing for some time. The necklace was found in her pocket when she was arrested.

Don't Forget, the Game Is "Snooker"

By Melbourne Inman



How to break off safely. Diagram "A" shows how Alec Brown broke hitting the two top reds with strong running side. Diagram "B" is Joe Davis's safe method of crashing the pyramid from a break-off, white running to safety no matter how the reds scattered.

NATURALLY, I am expected to write about safety play in this little series, and I accept the subject with enthusiasm. If people think I am still cunning in the art of laying snookers, I am proud to know it.

It means a lot to me. It means that the thoughtful, crafty player, the man with a billiards touch, has been given a set of rules designed to enable him to beat an opponent who has nothing more than a gift for potting.

Whatever you may read or hear, there are no first-class snooker players who are merely good potters. They can all lay snookers and evade snookers. They know the safety moves and when to employ them; and if you really desire to improve and win the local handicap, you, too, must study this important side of snooker.

FOOLISH RISKS

The time to snooker or play for safety must be judged, of course, on the state of the game and the position of the balls. But no snooker frame is lost until it is won, and, with no ball on to pot, you would be foolish to try a difficult pot no matter how big your lead. The pool balls represent 27 points, and a couple of nasty snookers can increase the possible margin against you to 40.

Generally speaking, the first rule in laying a snooker is to snooker the cue ball. There are times when the object ball must be dealt with, as, for instance, placing the last red behind a close bunch of colours. But the white is the ball, as a rule upon which you must concentrate, hoping that the object ball will also run into a snookered position.

When a snooker is difficult to obtain, and the position may be dangerous if it is attempted and not obtained, select instead an ordinary safety shot. Put the white under a cushion, with the object ball as far away as possible. Make cueing awkward for your opponent, and al-

Sharpen your wits

The other night George threw a party so that he could show off his powerful brain.

"Suppose you had a triangular patch of ground 100 feet long at the base," said George, "and you wanted to find out how many tulip seeds you could plant at one foot intervals to raise tulips in a year. How would you work it out?"

"As you know, I have just returned from a fishing holiday," George went on, "I caught fifty fish in five days, and each day I caught three more than the day before. How many did I catch on each of the five days?"

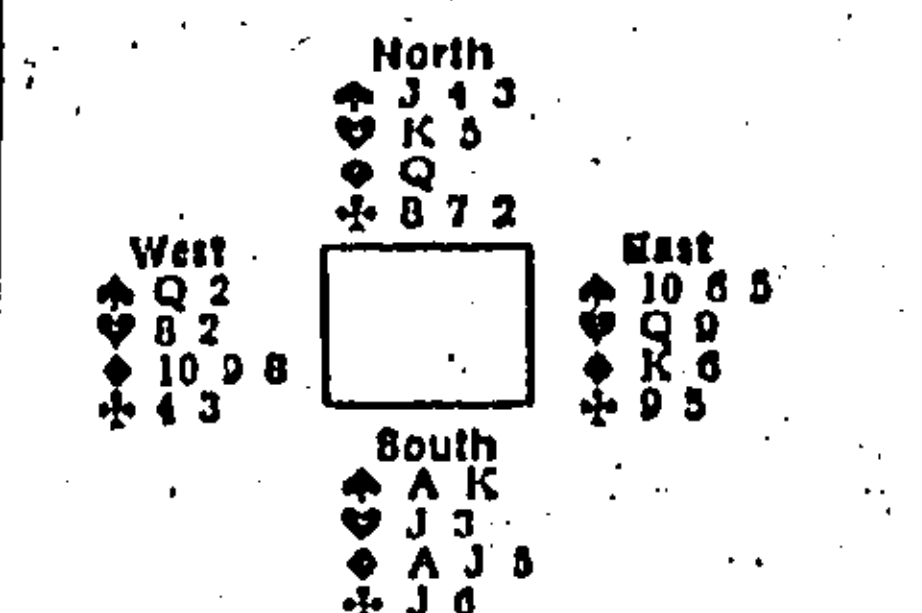
"One day four tramps came here asking for work," said George, "and I gave them a piece of work that would take 200 hours between them."

"They decided to draw lots to see who should work the most hours a day and who the fewest, and then let each man work as many days as he does hours a day. Now how were the 200 hours allotted so that each tramp should work as many hours a day as he did days; and yet so that no two tramps should work the same number of hours?"

Answers at the foot of Column Three.

though you get no penalty points you may well get a good leave from his shot.

Bridge Problem No. 48



Spades are trumps. South leads the three of Hearts. North and South to make all the tricks.

Solutions by 4 p.m. Wednesday to "Bridge Problem", Hongkong "Telegraph."

PROBLEM NO. 47 SOLUTION

West	North	East	South
♠ K	♠ 7	♠ 2	♠ 8
♠ 2	♠ 6	♠ 3	♠ 4
♠ 10	♠ 5	♠ 4	♠ K
♠ 9	♠ 4	♠ 5	♠ Q
♠ 8	♠ 3	♠ 6	♠ 10
♠ 7	♠ 2	♠ 7	♠ 9
♠ 6	♠ A	♠ 8	♠ 6
♠ 5	♠ K	♠ 9	♠ 5
♠ 4	♠ J	♠ 10	♠ 4
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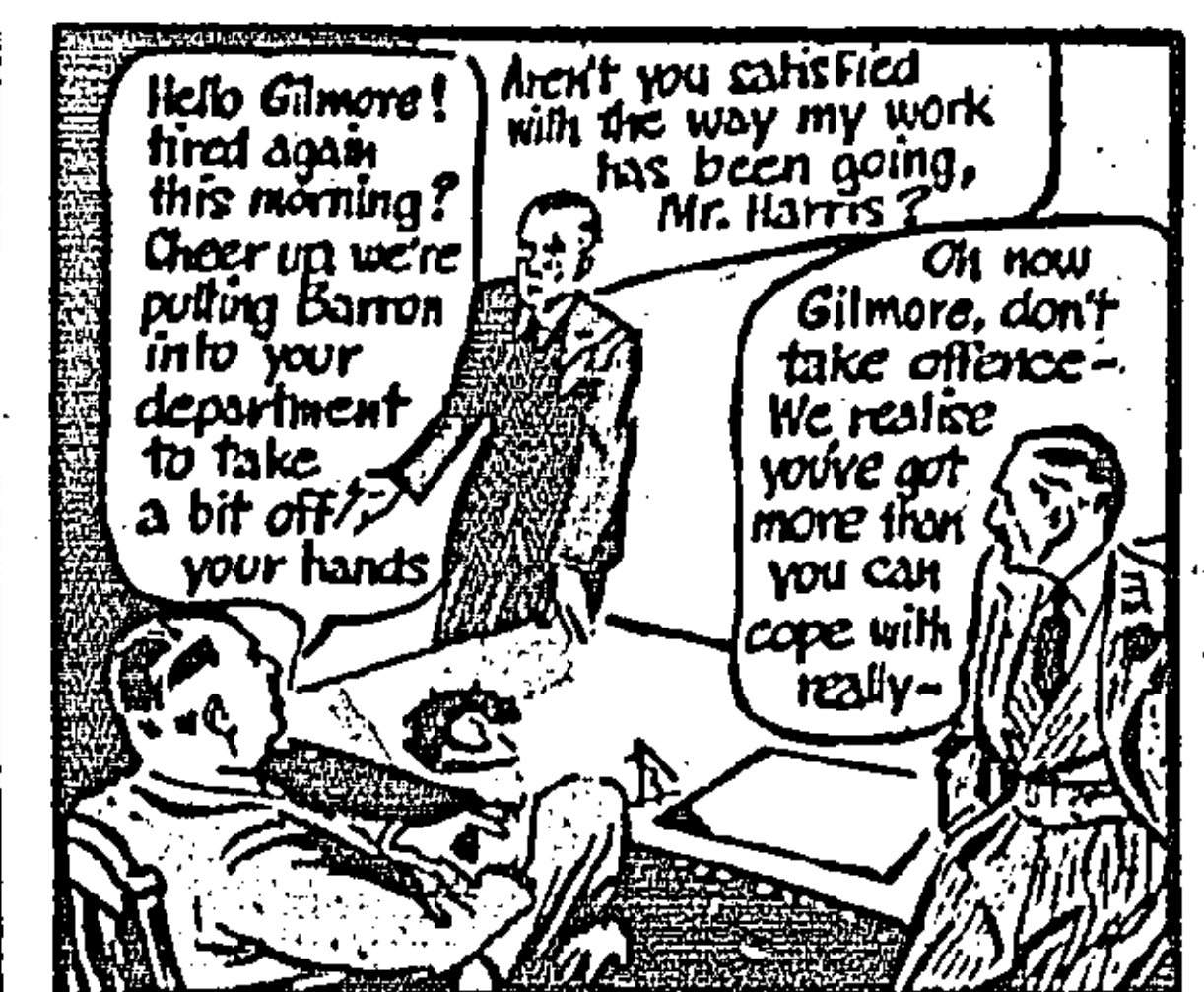
West is now squeezed. Correct solutions from E.M.A., "Enjoy", A.E.G., Mrs. A.K., "S'Easy", "58023", N.E.

TEST YOUR MIND

EVERYONE likes to think they are broadminded! Ask yourself these questions and then check up your answers. If you agree on more than half of them you're broadminded.

1. Would you trust a man or woman again once they had let you down?
2. Do you think women doctors are as good as men?
3. Even though you may be teetotal would you serve drinks to your friends?
4. Do you think gambling of any sort an unforgivable sin?
5. Would you welcome your divorced friend's new husband or wife?
6. Do you object to your boy friend or husband having women friends?
7. Would you give an unmarried mother employment?
8. Have you an unbiased mind after hearing gossip about your friends?
9. Can you forget and forgive your boy friend's past?
10. If your boss tells you exactly what he thinks of you—when he is mad with you—can you take it?

Here are the answers.
1. Yes, 2. Yes, 3. Yes, 4. No, 5. Yes, 6. No, 7. Yes, 8. Yes, 9. Yes, 10. Yes.



WHEN THE DAY'S WORK IS OVER

THE BOSS SAYS: Under the re-organisation I can see no reason for paying Gilmore so highly. It's quite apparent he's not pulling his weight these days.



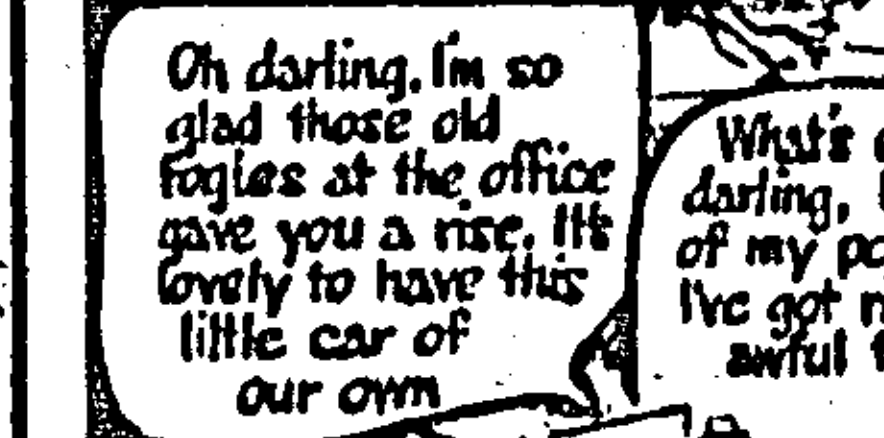
Then every night—

GILMORE THINKS:

THEY'RE PUTTING BACK IN MY PLACE IF I DON'T GET TO WORK IF I DON'T WANT TO. STILL, SOMETHING MUST BE DONE FOR MARY'S SAKE—I CAN'T AFFORD TO FALL NOW.



On darling, I'm so glad those old fogies at the office gave you a rise. It's lovely to have this little car of our own.



What's even better, darling, I feel sure of my position now I've got rid of that awful tiredness.

SO GILMORE SAW THE DOCTOR

Even in the mornings I'm tired. That makes it an uphill fight to hold my job. My wife's expecting a child in the Spring, so it's serious.



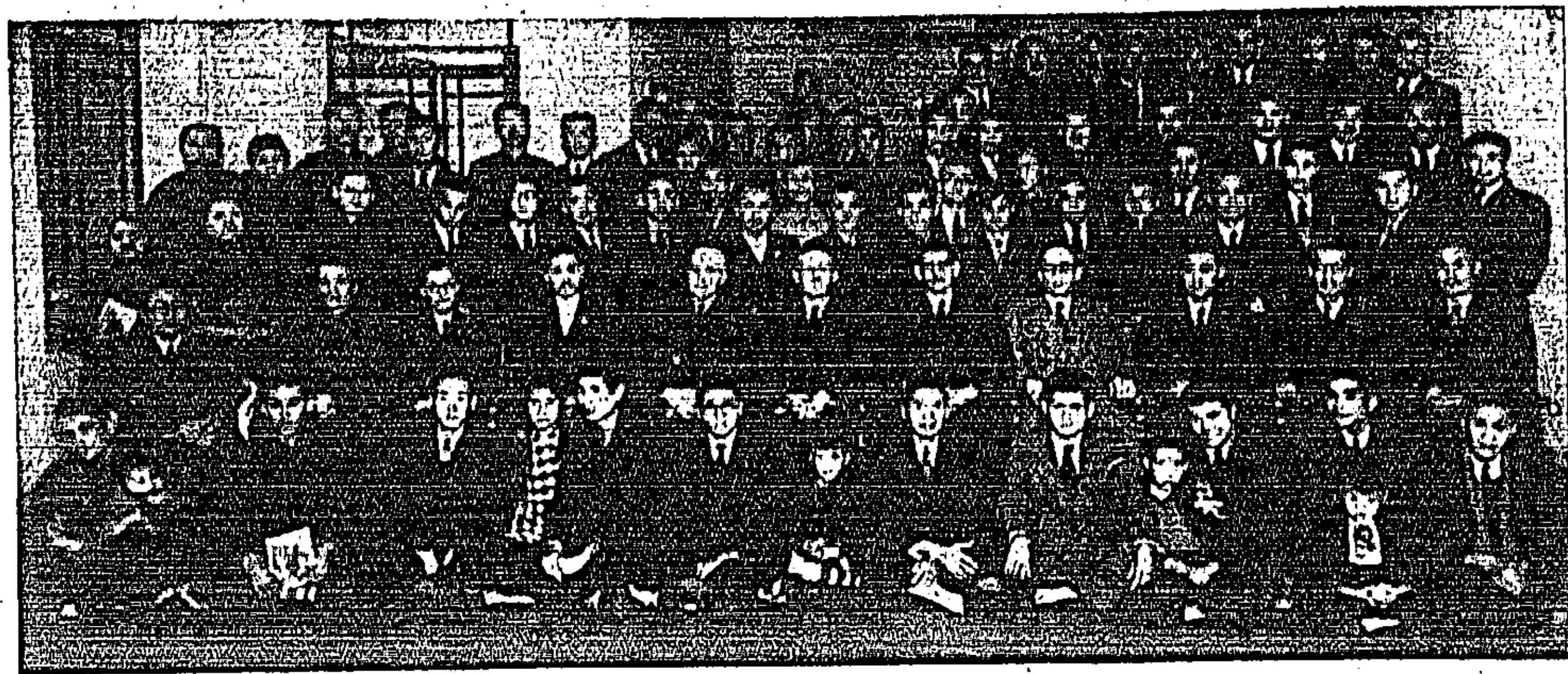
Well, Mr. Gilmore, making tired usually means you're not replacing the energy you use up in breathing, heart-beats and other automatic actions during sleep. That's Night Starvation. I advise Horlicks...



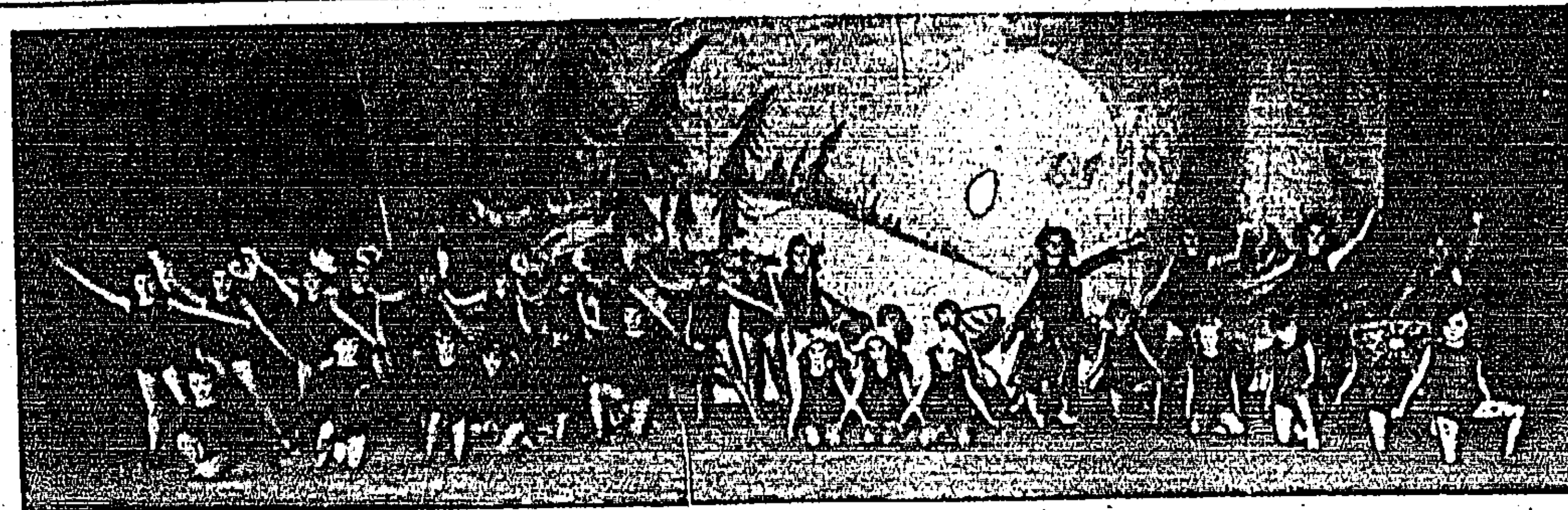
GIVE him a cupful of Horlicks—hot, every night at bedtime. It will soon be rid of waking tired. He will have new energy, new vitality, new confidence helping him towards the success that his brains and real ability entitle him to have.

HORLICKS GUARDS AGAINST NIGHT STARVATION





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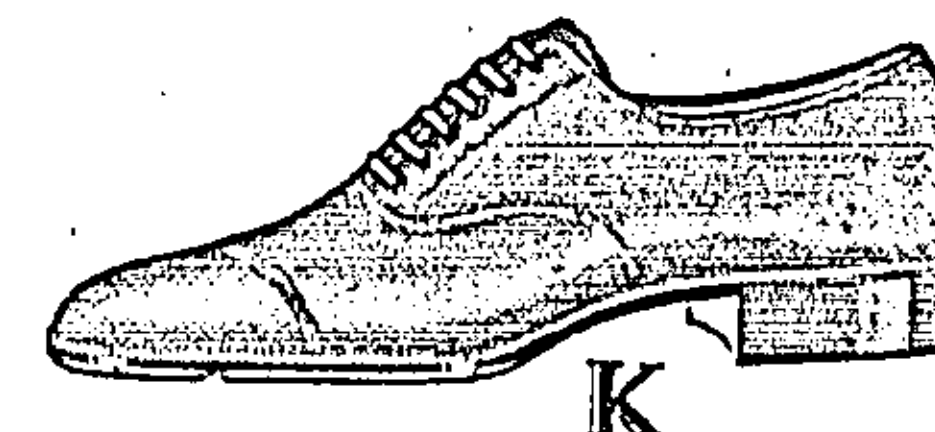
GROUP PHOTOGRAPH taken after the wedding at St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon, of Mr. Chow Yun-lam and Miss Catherine Yip. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).

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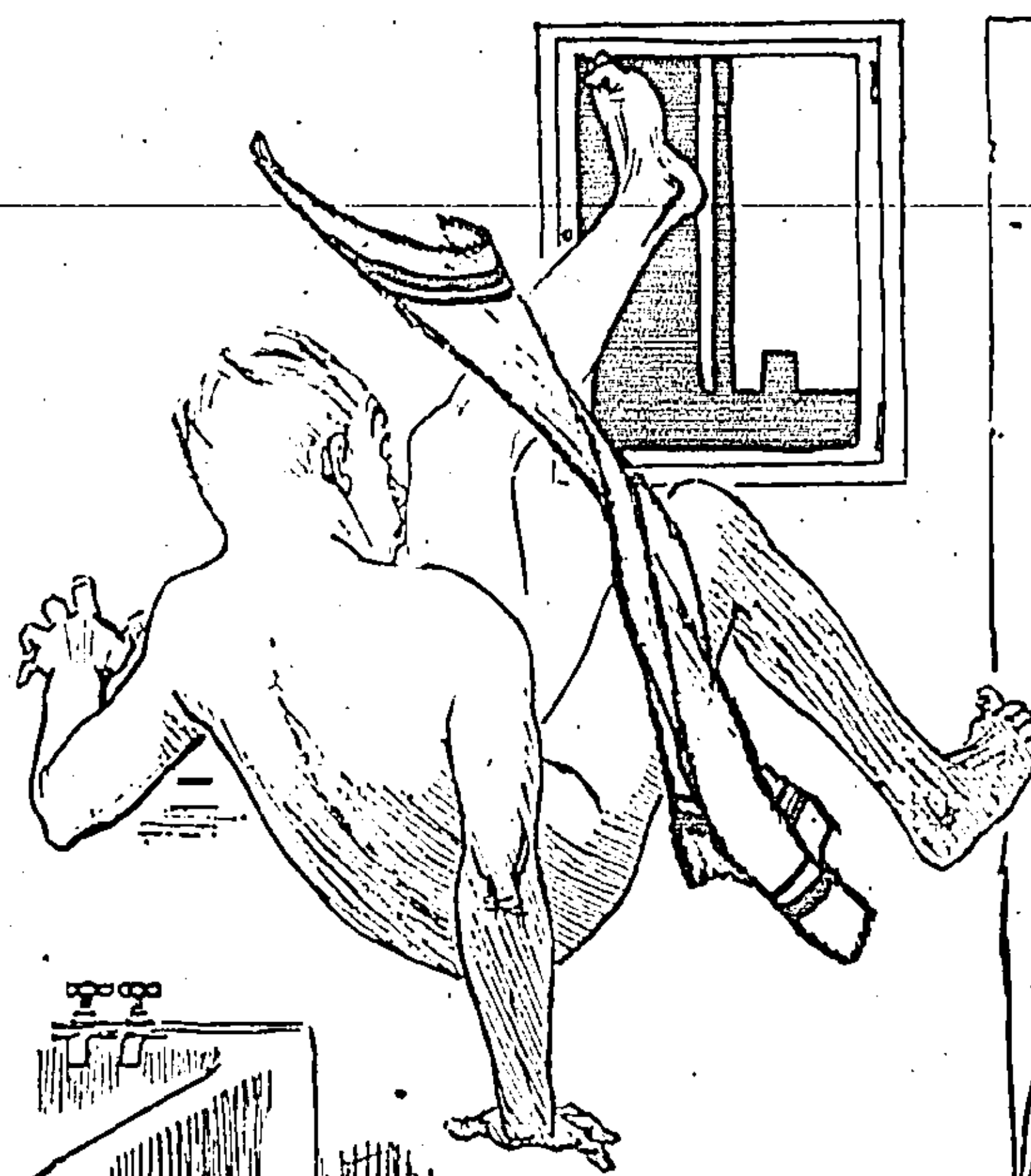
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How Accidents Happen

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

By J. NORMAN LYND



SOME PEOPLE CAN'T BE TRUSTED ALONE IN A BATH ROOM... THEY EITHER SLIP ON THE SOAP OR DUST THEIR THROATS IN SONG.



TRYING TO CATCH THE 8:15 IS THE CAUSE OF A LOT OF ACCIDENTS... SCALDED THROTTLES BEING ONE... OR CHOKING ON A PIECE OF TOAST, OR FALLING OVER THE STEELHAM ON THE WAY OUT.

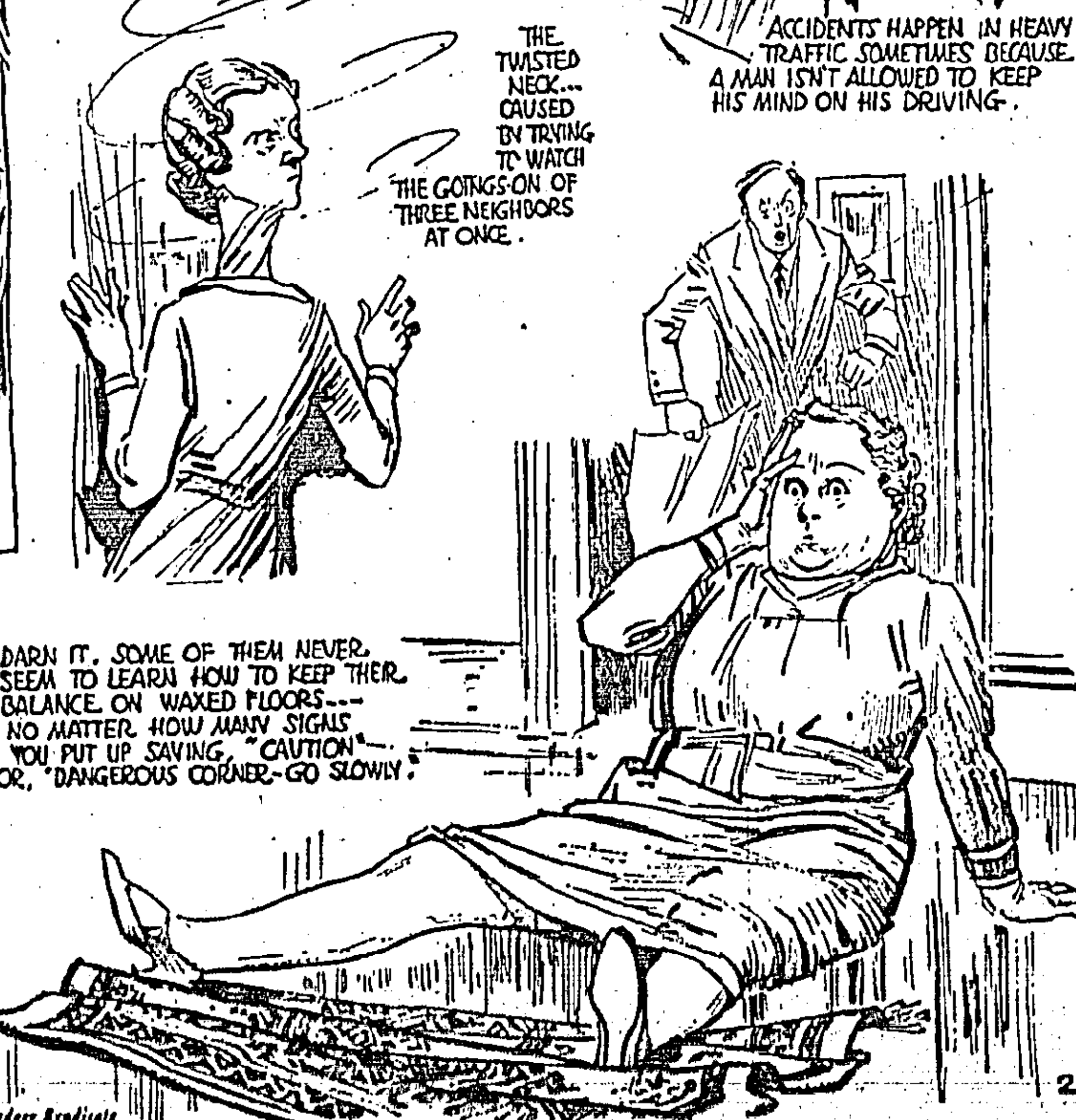


ACCIDENTS HAPPEN IN HEAVY TRAFFIC SOMETIMES BECAUSE A MAN ISN'T ALLOWED TO KEEP HIS MIND ON HIS DRIVING.



"IT JUST SEEMED TO COME APART IN MY HANDS!"

IN THE HOME A LOT OF CASUALTIES ARE DUE TO AMATEURS USING TOOLS... HAMMERS, CHISELS, RAZORS, SCREWDRIVERS... OR ANYTHING THAT MIGHT OPEN A CAN OF BEANS



DARN IT, SOME OF THEM NEVER SEEM TO LEARN HOW TO KEEP THEIR BALANCE ON WAXED FLOORS... NO MATTER HOW MANY SIGNS YOU PUT UP SAYING "CAUTION" OR "DANGEROUS CORNER—GO SLOWLY"

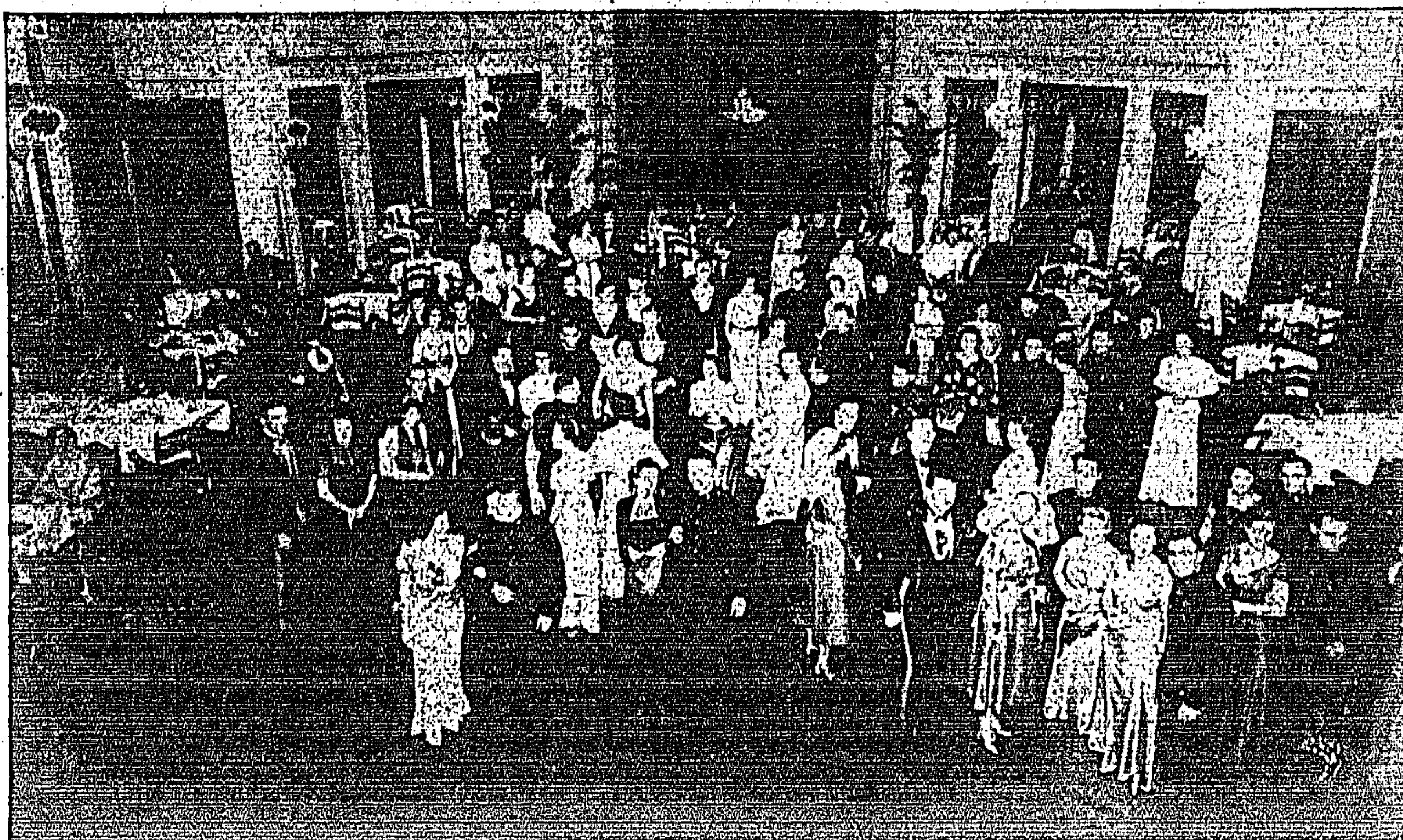
ONE WAY TO DUCK KITCHEN WORK IS TO HAVE AN "ACCIDENT" WITH SOME IMPORTANT PIECE OF CHINA... SAY HER GREAT-GRANDMOTHERS TEA CUP... THAT LETS YOU OUT—FOR KEEPS.

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ROYAL ARTILLERY Annual Ball, held at the Peninsula Hotel earlier this week, was a highly enjoyable and successful function, attended by a large crowd.—King's Studio.

CHINA MAY YET RESIST JAPAN, SAYS AMERICAN WRITER

By H. R. Ekins

United Press Staff Correspondent
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New York, Feb. 15.

The Japanese armies which are attempting to conquer China soon may find themselves faced with a new kind of Chinese government and a new type of military strategy.

So far the Japanese have been fighting Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang-party forces and those allied with his old central government in Nanking before he formed his "all-China anti-Japanese front."

In the future they may face the veteran soldiers of the Chinese Soviet government, generally considered to be the ablest guerilla fighters modern Asia ever has known.

Military phases of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, in the sense of warfare between Japan and the old Chinese central government, appear to be nearing an end.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's erstwhile Nanking regime now is a refugee government. Japanese troops are in full occupation of seven Chinese provincial capitals and the former national capital, Nanking.

But there remains the Chinese Soviet, the only governmental entity in China, aside from purely local governments in Chinese provinces, not yet invaded by the brown clad troops of Dai Nippon.

While the world watches for signs of conflict between Japan and Soviet Russia the opening skirmishes between the Japanese and Communism are occurring on Chinese soil.

During the last six months of purely Chinese-Japanese hostilities the Chinese Reds have adroitly maintained their military organizations intact.

Seasoned observers have never believed that China would go Red as long as the Japanese were merely on the doorstep or actually in the Chinese coastal provinces. But now that Japan controls the eastern Asiatic coast from the Siberian frontier to Ningpo, and is threatening the southern coastal ports of Canton, Swatow and Amoy, the showdown with the Reds finally entrenched in interior Shensi Province and in Red outer Mongolia, is imminent.

MOSCOW-TOKYO "SHOWDOWN"
Upon the outcome of the clash between the Japanese and the Chinese success against the Chinese Reds might well postpone the showdown between Tokyo and Moscow.

But should the Japanese find Red Chinese resistance harder to crack than the resistance offered by the central government during the last six months Moscow might be involved.

To date China has had only moral support from the outside.

I know of no evidence of effective military support to the Chinese by Russia or any other nation.

No love has been lost between Chiang Kai-shek and Moscow. So long as the Generalissimo remained in the saddle Russia remembered that he parted company with the Soviets in 1928. Many Russians never have forgiven Chiang for frustrating their attempt to communize China a decade ago. They

are anxious to direct the ceremonies for the "wake" attending his final passing so that they can salvage the control.

The Chinese Soviet leaders were sent to the Chinese refugee capitals to be on hand to snatch the sceptre as it falls from the Kuomintang, which fought Chinese Communism tooth and nail from Kiangsi Province to creating the empire of Manchukuo.

The tactics of the Chinese Reds were confirmed recently in a dispatch from Jack Belden, United Press correspondent at Hankow who interviewed Wang Min, a member of the Chinese Soviet political bureau and a former Chinese Communist envoy to Moscow. Belden telegraphed:—

"I met Wang Min. He told me the Chinese Communists do not desire to control the Chinese government. He said they would accept posts in what remains of the Chinese government only at the express invitation of the Nationalists."

Mr. Belden then quoted Wang Min as follows:—
"The Chinese Reds aim only at national salvation, not Socialism as yet. Our policy at this stage is to build a united nation for a democratic republic—not Socialism. The Chinese Reds are satisfied with the present policies of stubborn resistance. The government is beginning to take democratic measures and the armies are beginning to be unified."

"Chinese soldiers are brave, but China needs a new military technique and leaders who must be proven."

On that last note Wang Min sounded the battle cry of the Chinese Nationalists fight as long as they have any will or where-withal to fight left. Then the Chinese Communist state, untouched by the hostilities, will stand ready and fresh to challenge war weary Japanese ready to attempt to penetrate Red territory. Then they will look to Moscow for the material support which has been withheld from the Chinese Nationalists.—United Press.

OLYMPIC RATES ANNOUNCED

San Francisco. Pacific passenger lines do not anticipate that the present Sino-Japanese hostilities will prevent the holding of the 1940 Olympics at Tokyo. They have just decided to offer a 15 per cent. reduction on single passages to Japan and 10 per cent. on round trip tickets.

Dad Will Not Let Him Smoke—At 67!

A 67-years-old Welshman told a London newspaper: "I dare not smoke when Dad is around."

His father, Morgan Morgan, of Bendrefawr Farm, Rhigos, Glamorgan, a non-smoker and total abstainer, who was 94 this month, was busy in the fields on his birthday, when most people in snow-clad Wales were huddled near the fireside.

A miner for 50 years and farmer for 30 years, old Mr. Morgan has escaped death many times.

When working at a Treherbert colliery he was trapped in an underground fire and severely burned.

A few years later he was swept away by a mountain torrent and almost drowned.

Leader Paid £4,000 For Army Secrets

Rome.

A Soviet spy ring headed by a Russian engineer was disclosed to-day to have been smashed by the Fascist Secret Police.

The ringleader, Gregor Grigorieff, aged forty, was sentenced to thirty years' imprisonment, and thirteen others, one of whom is a Polish citizen, received sentences ranging from ten to twenty years.

The organisation worked, according to the official charges, under cover of the official Russian delegation with headquarters in Milan.

The spies were tried secretly by the special tribunal. Details of such trials are never published.

It is officially stated that the organisation has been operating for nearly two years, and that Grigorieff bought military information with bribes in some cases as high as 400,000 lire (about £4,000).

Discovery of the ring's operations followed long and careful police investigation.

Grigorieff, it is learned, was arrested in May 1937, following a series of arrests of suspects who confessed to having relations with the Russians. Among those arrested were twelve Italians, some of them employed in responsible positions in the factories of such munition makers as Breda, Ansaldo, and Fiat.

The spy revelation has further strained Italo-Soviet relations, which an Italian Government communiqué to-day admitted to be "difficult."

LORD HALIFAX ACCEPTABLE

London, Feb. 25.

Reuter learns that later to-day it will be announced that the King has approved the appointment of Lord Halifax as Foreign Secretary, with Mr. R. A. Butler as Under-Secretary.—Reuter.

BUTLER ACCEPTS

London, Feb. 25.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Labour, has accepted the post of Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, according to the political correspondents of this morning's papers.—Reuter Special.

EIGHT RAIDERS DOWNED

Chinese Drive Off Enemy Attack

Nanchang, Feb. 25.

Eight Japanese planes were shot down during the night air raid on Nanchang this morning. Thousands of people watched three of the eight doomed planes going down in flames. The remaining five crashed at places further away from the city.

Altogether 35 Japanese planes participated in the raid on the city. Eight of the invading machines were hit by machine-gun fire from Chinese pursuit planes in the aerial battle, while the remaining 27 beat a hasty and disorderly retreat.

Three of the eight damaged machines, crashing in bursts of fire to the ground, have been located on the outskirts of the city. All the inmates of the planes were burnt beyond recognition.

The Japanese raiders came to Nanchang by way of the Kiangsi-Anhui border. An alarm of an impending raid was sounded by the Nanchang defence authorities at 11 a.m. and the invading planes were sighted 45 minutes later.

Chinese pursuit planes, rising to check the invaders, engaged them in a thrilling dog fight in which the Japanese were outmanoeuvred. During the raid, 80 bombs were released by the Japanese planes, most of which landed on open spaces in the outskirts of the city, inflicting only minor damage to civilian lives and property.—Central News.

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Rugby Football: Scotland v. Ireland

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s. 9.52 m.c.s. per second.

12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Reginald Foort at the Organ. In A Monastery Garden (Keelbey); Second Serenade (Heykins); Palace Theatre Medley.

12.40 Gilbert and Sullivan Excerpts. "Patience"—So Go to Him..... Bertha Lewis and George Baker; It's Clear That Medieval Art.... D. Oldham, M. Green and D. Fancourt; Love Is A Plaintive Song.... Winifred Lawson (Soprano); The Pirates of Penzance; What Shall I Do?.... Derek Oldham; Climbing Over Rocky Mountain.... Nellie Brercliffe; Nellie Walker and Chorus of Girls; Stop, Ladies, Pray.... N. Brercliffe, M. Walker, D. Oldham and Chorus of Girls; Oh! Is There Not One Maiden Breast.... D. Oldham, E. Griffin and Chorus of Girls; The Yeomen of the Guard—Night Has Spread Her Pall Once More.... Dorothy Gill and Chorus.

1.00 Time and Weather. 1.03 Derickson (Tenor) and Brown (Piano). Over Somebody Else's Shoulder (Sherman and Lewis); You Oughta Be In Pictures (Heyman and Suesse); One Morning in May (Parish and Carmichael).

1.15 Alfredo Campoli and His Orchestra. Tango Habanera (Payan, arr. Hartley); Obstinata (Fontenilles, arr. Crook); Romance in Moonlight—Medley; Vienna in Springtime (Leon-Pelosi); Your Heart Called Mine (Edgar-Lewinnek-Haydon).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Mozart—Piano Concerto in B Major, K. V. 450.

Played by Ely Ney with Chamber Orchestra conducted by Dr. W. van Hoogstraten. 2.15 Close Down. 8.00-7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00 Schumann—Trio in D Minor, Op. 63.

Played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals. 7.32 Closing Local Spot Quotations. 7.35 Spanish Music. If I could forget your eyes (Sandoval-Albeniz)..... Beniamino Gili (Tenor); Spanish Dance No. 3 (Granados); Triana (Albeniz)..... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens; Granada (Albeniz and Cuencas); Danza 5 (Granados and Munoz Lorente)..... Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano); Danza Espanola No. 6 (Granados)..... Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.03 Songs by Grace Fielda. One Of The Little Orphans Of The Storm (film "Queen of Hearts"); Queen of Hearts (from the film); I Haven't Been The Same Girl Since (Harper and Haines).

8.13 Variety. Cinema Organ—Melody in F (Rubinstein); Berceuse De Jocelyn (Godard); Edward O'Henry; Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back..... Hildegard Guld..... Hildegard (Len Filla); Mood Ruby (Len Filla); Len Filla; Comedian—George Formby by Medley.... George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Organ—With Sword and Lance—March (Starke); Blaze Away—March (Holzman)..... Reginald Dixon. 8.45 London Relay—London Log. 9.00 London Relay—The New Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra. Conductor, William Pethers from the New Hippodrome Theatre, Coventry; The Savoy American Medley (Dobson, Somerville, Kalkin—Selection (Friml, arr. Kiefer); After the Storm (arr. Lange); Foraken (Grothe, arr. Weninger); The Doll Medley (arr. Michaeloff); Rustle of Spring (Sinding).

9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a)—(d) Tangos. 10.10 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.15 (a) Angel (b) Foggy Day; (c) Things are looking up (d) Nice work if you can get it. 10.30 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.35 (a) Scrapping the toast (b) You're a Sweetheart; (c) My fine feathered friend (d) Got a new Pair of shoes. 10.50 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.55 London Relay—Scotland v. Ireland.

A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match by H. B. T. Wakelam from Murrayfield, Edinburgh. (By courtesy of the Scottish Rugby Union). 12.30 Close Down.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

10.00-11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church. 11.00-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Paul's Church (Chicago).

12.15 Mendelssohn's Compositions. Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64..... Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; O Woodlands Far.... Richard Tauber (Tenor); A May Breeze.... Fritz Kreisler (Violin). Piano accomp. by M. A. Romner (from "Son and Stranger"). Malcolm McEchnern (Bass); Song Without Words—F. Major; Hunting Song.... Benno Moelvelitch (Piano). 1.00 Time and Weather. 1.03 New Light Symphony Orchestra. Overture (Herold); Serenade Mauresque, Op. 10, No. 2

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(Elgar); Intermzzo (Coleridge-Taylor); Prelude (Haydn Wood); Princess Ida—Selection (Sullivan). 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act I. Sung by M. Sheridan (Sop.), I. Mannarini (Mezzo-Sop.), Cecil (Ten.), Palal (Ten.), Weinberg (Bar.), Gelli (Bass), Kassin (Bass). The Bank of Le Scala Orchestra with Chorus. Milan, conducted by Carlo Sabajno. 2.30 Close Down. 8.00-7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00 Muriel Brunskill (Contralto) and Dennis Noble (Baritone). Silent Worship (from "Tolomey"—Handel-arr. Somerville); I Kiss The Dawn That Brought Me You (Glanville and Haydn Wood); Passing By (Herlick and Purcell); The Gentle Maiden (Boulton, Somerville)..... Dennis Noble; Songs of the Hebrides—In Hebride Seas (Kennedy-Fraser);—Kishimul's Galley (Kennedy-Fraser); The Banks Of Allan Water (Old Scottish Ballad)..... Muriel Brunskill. 7.27 Debussy—Fellte Sulle. Played by the Symphony Orchestra conducted by Piero Coppola. 7.40 Studio—A Debussy Programme by A. E. Lay (Piano). 1. "The Children's Corner"—Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum; 2. Bruyeres (from "The Preludes"); 3. L'Enfant Prodigue—Prelude; 4. Iere Arabesque; 5. Ballade. 8.00 Time and Weather. 8.03 Marek Weber and His Orchestra. Forest Idyll (Kallinger); The Hermit (Clemens Schmalstich); From Offenbach's Sample Box (Fantasia) (Urbach); Fantasia On The Song

"Long, Long Ago" (Ditrich); Village Swallows From Austria (J. Strauss). 8.30 London Relay—A Recital by Norman Menzies (Australian Baritone). Love me or not (Arne); Love in thy Youth (Howard); False Philis (Arday, arr. Lane Wilson); Ships at Anchor (Michael Head); Moonlight (Roger Quilter); Yarmouth Fair (Peter Warlock). 8.45 Orchestral. Ave Maria (Meditation) (Bach-Gounod); Ave Maria (Schubert).... Dol Dauber and His Salon Orchestra; Diversissement (Tschalkowsky)—Variations from the Ballet "Sleeping Beauty".... Orchestra Symphonique (of Paris) cond. by J. E. Szyfer. 9.00 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 9.10 Brahms—Concerto in B Flat Major, Op. 83. Played by Artur Schnabel (Piano) and the B. D. C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult. 10.00 Essie Ackland (Contralto) and Albert Sandler and His Orchestra. I Want Your Heart (Haydn Wood); Masquerade (Loel).... Orchestra; A Summer Night (A. Goring Thomas); The Great Awakening (Johnstone and Kramer).... Essie Ackland; Be-

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Why Doctors Fly To Stalin

He Is Perfectly Fit: They Go To Treat His Worn-Out Officials In Guarded Sanatorium

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SOMETIMES SHOT

Vienna. Viennese doctors, specialists in nerve strain, have for some time been flying to Moscow on a series of urgent calls. One will visit the Kremlin next month.

Every time they fly tongues wag in rumour-ridden Russia, "Stalin is dying."

Professor Eppinger and Professor Noorden are the two doctors who most frequently receive the summons to the Kremlin. I was told the real reason for their visits, says a correspondent of the *Sunday Express*. This is the story:—

Stalin himself is the healthiest man in the Soviet Union. But the responsible officials around him are exhausted, sick men.

People's Commissars, members of the Politbureau or Central Executive Committee work from sixteen to eighteen hours a day. For them no Sunday off, no holiday.

Failure to keep up with their work means an accusation of sabotage. That means execution.

Whenever Stalin, happy and healthy in his fine forest retreat, hears that his collaborators are approaching the end of their physical resources he rings up Vienna.

REST IMPOSSIBLE
The doctors arrive. They are sent to a heavily-guarded sanatorium for sick Soviet officials twenty miles from Moscow.

The doctors prescribe a rest cure. That, the harassed officials retort, is impossible.

Now it becomes the doctors' turn to overwork. Sometimes they spend a month, working a sixteen-hour day, trying to pull the patients round.

CAR-LOADS OF SICK SOVIET LEADERS ARRIVE ALL DAY, BEGINNING IN THE EARLY MORNING.

Then comes the most ironical aspect of the invalids' fate. **FREQUENTLY THE SUFFERERS ARE SHOT.**

Worn out in mind and body, unable, even after expert treatment, to renew the struggle for efficiency, they become useless clogs on the machine. Stalin signs their death warrant.

Stalin's precautions to safeguard his own health are elaborate. Come what may, he is in bed by 11 p.m.

He insists on eight hours' sleep, his meals are light. He smokes little, takes long walks.

The doctors are well paid. Costly presents of furs, gold, diamonds reach them from Stalin.

But the dictator never sees them. He sends a kindly message thanking them for their services. This is the usual formula:—

"Comrade Stalin bids you farewell. He regrets he was not able to receive you. He does not want to give reason for any rumours which would unavoidably originate were any foreign correspondent informed about the visit."

The Man Who Must Not Move His Head

SECOND-LIEUT. R. M. Lloyd, of the 4th/8th Punjabis—the man who must not move his head—arrived at Southampton recently from Karachi.

He was wounded in the back of his head six months ago on the North-West Frontier, and the slightest head movement would be dangerous.

He now lies in the Military Hospital, Millbank, where an operation may be performed.

Teachers Would Ban "Story" Pictures

PICTURES which "everybody knows," like "The Boyhood of Raleigh" and "Dante's Dream," may soon disappear from our schools.

Feeling is growing among teachers that "story" paintings of this type are educationally out of date and artistically unsound.

Teachers from 13 counties met in London last month to discuss a scheme by which the best in painting during the past 1,000 years, or the cream of the world's great galleries, can be brought into the classroom.

Behind the plan is the New Society of Art Teachers, founded recently by teachers at five important schools—Hilcebury, St. Paul's, Whitgift, Charterhouse and Langford Grove. Their aims are supported by the Courtauld Institute of Art.

A complete change in the teaching of art is essential, it is felt, if the taste of boys and girls is to be saved from corruption.

The scheme has been in experimental operation for two years, and has spread from five to 100 schools. It provides that over a period of five years children will have had before them 150 great works of art, a set of ten being changed each mid-term.

The reproductions were chosen by Mr. Anthony Bertram, art lecturer, and bought chiefly abroad.

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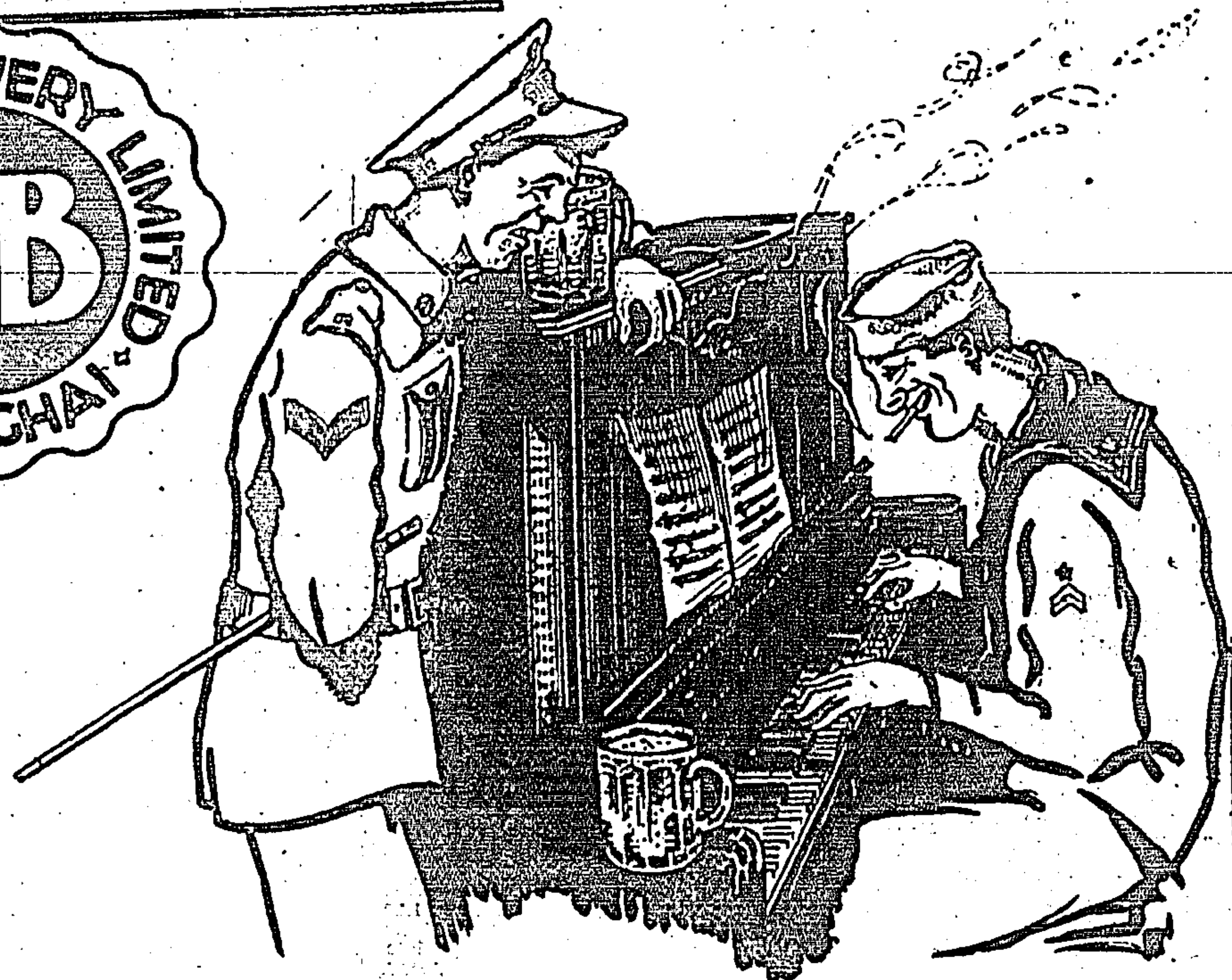
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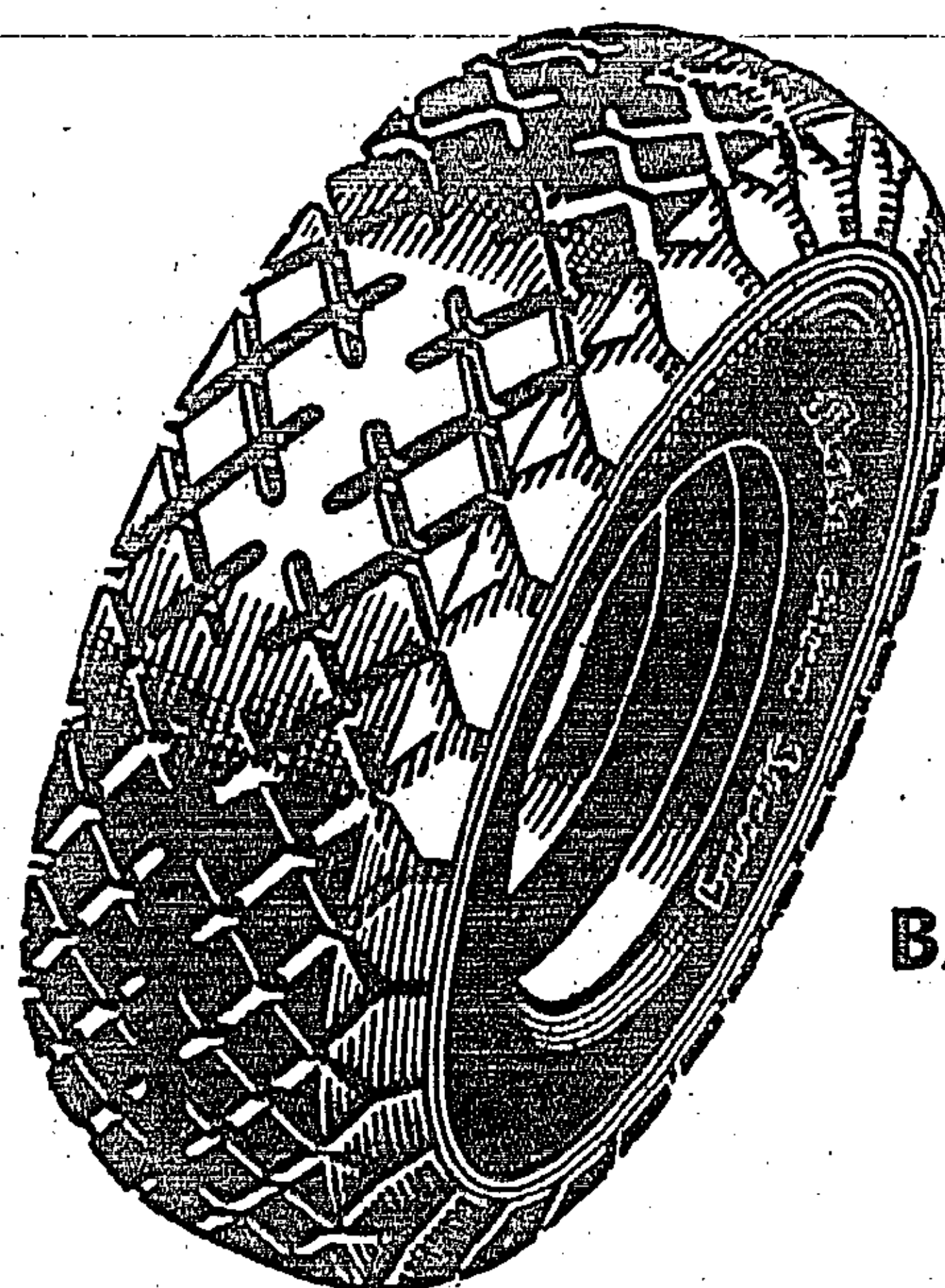
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PORTRAIT of a
REBEL

MICHAEL BAKUNIN has his duly dishonoured place in Marxian legend: and his name was much used in that vocabulary of abusive denunciation in which Communism has always been so rich—until it was replaced by those of more fashionable villains.

For most of the outer world he is a rather dim figure—the Russian anarchist whose revolt against Marx split and destroyed the First International.

Yet what a man it was that is thus half-forgotten or only remembered in dreary polemics. One of the most fantastic figures of his own, or any, age. What a subject for the biographer: but missed until Professor Carr drew this careful but brilliant portrait (Michael Bakunin, by E. H. Carr. Macmillan, 25s.) of the great rebel.

Rebel is the right word for Bakunin. He was the passionate, dynamic, furious, undisciplined embodiment of permanent revolt. Revolt against anything and everything—as inconsistent as it was torrential. Sprung by some genetic miracle from a respectable family of Russian small landowners and officials, his strange fate led him to things unforeseeable when, restless, expelled from the army, in love, for the moment, with Hegelian philosophy, he left his native Premukhino for Berlin.

He Loved It

For thirty years—with a brief interval in Siberia—he flared stormily across Europe, arguing, quarrelling, borrowing, fascinating, repelling, denouncing, always demanding revolt against this or that. A revolutionary who loved revolution for its own sake, not for its ends.

"The social question," he once wrote, "takes the form primarily of the overthrow of Society." That is the essential Bakunin. He was not interested in any new order, but in the overthrow, the destruction (they are his favourite words) of the old.

There was not, there could not be, any consistency in such a man. He was everything by turns and nothing long. He lauded democracy and denounced it. He called fiercely for the Kingdom of God—and as fiercely denied God's existence.

He cursed Tsardom—and begged the Tsar to make himself revolutionary dictator of Europe. He counted Germany his spiritual home—and preached a pan-Slav crusade against all things German.

As a thinker he was negligible. As an emotional force he was in his day formidable and feared. Twenty stone of tumultuous, eloquent humanity, roaring for revolt. Twenty stone of unscrupulous adventurer, living from hand to mouth on eternal borrowing from ever-ready admirers.

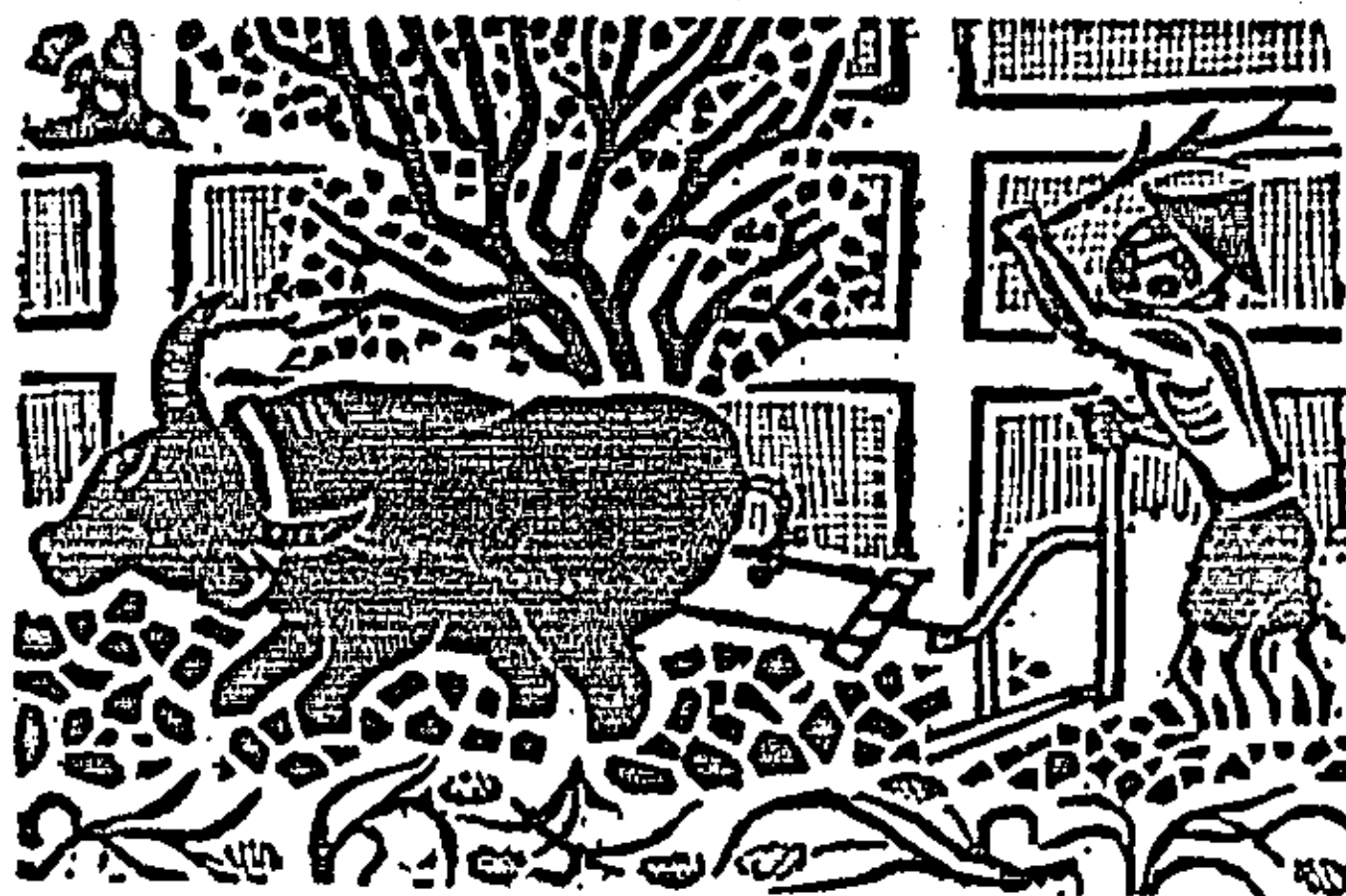
Ironic Accident

At the very last the volcano burst itself out. He turned, weary and ill, to thoughts of his childhood home, of philosophy, of music. Almost his last recorded utterance was, "The world will perish, but the Ninth Symphony will remain."

By ironic accident, when the end came, the Bernese authorities recorded the death of "Michel de Bakounine, Rentier."

"If you saw it in a picture..." If a novelist had drawn this character, it would be demonstrably grotesque, exaggerated, outrageously impossible. But it was so.

W. N. E.



From "Five Thousand Years Young," a collection of modern Chinese drawings and woodcuts published by Lawrence and Wishart, 1s. Profits are for Chinese Medical Aid.

NEW NOVELS

CELIA
By E. H. Young
(Cape, 8s. 6d.)

IN the headlong hustle of so much modern writing—stories slammed together, incidents tumbling over one another, characters like marionettes with legs insufficiently glued on, ideas mislaid and grammar erratic—what a pleasure it is to come on the work of a patient, conscientious craftsman.

Miss Young's novel is so solid and well-made that I feel comfortable reading it. I could bear to wait while she gradually built up a character, because I knew she wasn't going to cheat and offer me, in the end, something highly polished and quite dead.

Celia is alive. You see her faults and weaknesses as well as her virtues. You find yourself criticizing her as you would notice the shortcomings of a friend without ceasing to be friendly. She is a vague, kindly, uncertain, self-contained woman, polite but not reserved for either passion or deep tenderness.

She does not really enter into the life of her two children. She despises her husband in secret. Her mother-in-law is someone to be endured and evaded; her feeling for the man she might have married is one long romantic dream. Her friendships are carefully removed from intimacy; her mind is as much in a muddle as the bureau she is supposed to be tidying when we first meet her.

In other words, she lives, moves and has her being.

The story—of how this pleasant, placid, fobber-off of realities nearly drifted to disaster and had to hear a few home-truths before she woke up to life—contains some explosive material. But Miss Young is firmly in charge all the time.

ESTHER VANNER
By Chris Massie
(Sampson Low, Marston, 7s. 6d.)

THIS novel opens with the death of Queen Victoria and closes with the outbreak of the Great War. And from the many vital developments of those thirteen years Mr. Massie has chosen the Women's Suffrage Movement as his central theme.

He is careful to admit, in a foreword, that he has manipulated history to suit his tale. But I think he is sound in pointing out that one of the strangest things about the fight for the vote was that it remained, with so many women, simply a fight for the vote.

No clear idea of what to do with the vote ever emerged. Women wanted their rights. They, quite naturally, were even prepared to die if that injustice could be removed. But was there any guiding social principle, any political philosophy, behind this struggle?

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- DETECTION
** Proceed With Caution, by John Rhode (Collins, 7s. 6d.).
** The Hush Sheriff, by Henry Wade (Constable, 7s. 6d.).

Danger Point

Knowledge of Nazi Germany needs as complement and counterpart knowledge of her neighbours: most of all, perhaps, of Czechoslovakia. *Watch Czechoslovakia*, by Richard Freund (Nelson, 2s. 6d.), is a short contribution—little over a hundred pages. But it is an admirably lucid and "unpropaganda" account of a State whose domestic problems are of European importance. An excellent introduction for anybody who cares to know something of a country more talked about than known. W. N. E.

ARE YOU A ONE-TENTHER?

BY MAX EVANS

IF you belong to the great average in this world you are only one-tenth a human being—in intelligence.

That, anyway, is the rather frightening opinion of Mr. Harry Kahne, practical psychologist and mental phenomenon, who was recently in Melbourne.

"Yes, the average person doesn't use more than one-tenth of his brain power," said Mr. Kahne. "He leaves the nine-tenths of perfectly good and efficient grey matter to atrophy. This neglect shortens life. Mental development lengthens it."

"This is fact—not theory, and is proved by world-authorised statistics that the average longevity of brain users is 67 years, but of routine and manual workers only 44 years."

Mr. Kahne contends that no one in the world uses the full ten-tenths of his brain power. If he did he would be a superman. Edison used probably only five-tenths... that's consoling to the rest of us!

WELL, WHAT IS GENIUS?

By Mr. Kahne's reasoning a genius often is in the category of the one-tenths. A great scholar, a famous

musician, a great writer, a great calculator—an arithmetical problem specialist in anything need only be that good into millions.

Usually it is the big business man their mind," says Kahne. He who leads in brain gymnastics. He is the man who can do several things at once, see several points of view, and analyse them instantly.

Try Mr. Kahne's elementary self-test of intelligence, and see if you are below average, past average or have hopes of getting out of the rut. Take the figures 1 to 9. Write them out rapidly and as you write count them backwards. That is, as you write one say nine, as you write two say 8, and so on. Do it fast and don't hesitate. Then do it in reverse.

If you do it both ways first time and without hesitation you are better than average. It is a simple case of doing two things at once. Your brain is doing double the work it would be doing if you just counted or just wrote the figures out.

Kahne was a dull boy at school, but he went in for developing his brain, and now one of his stage performances is to exercise six mental processes simultaneously.

While reading a newspaper upside down, a blackboard (also upside down) he recites any popular poem nominated fessor said, that that section could be illuminated by mind-training.

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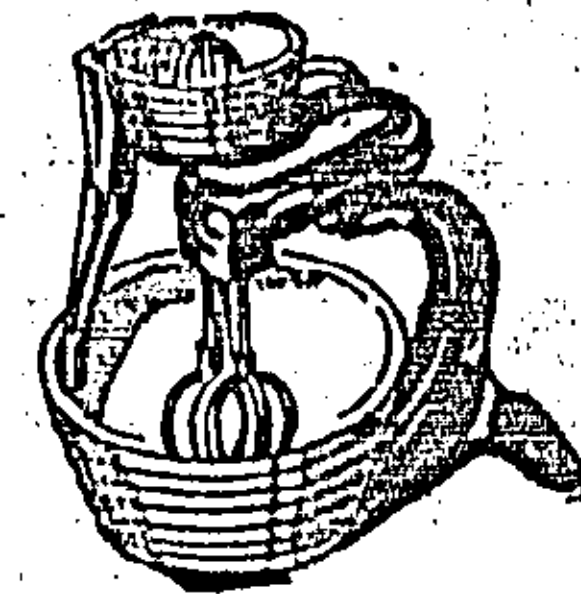
PHOTOGRAPHIC silhouettes are a source of decorative pictures—and camera fun—which every snapshotter should try. The arrangements are simple—a white sheet stretched over a doorway, or division between two rooms, with a strong light behind it and the camera set up in front.

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John van Guilder.

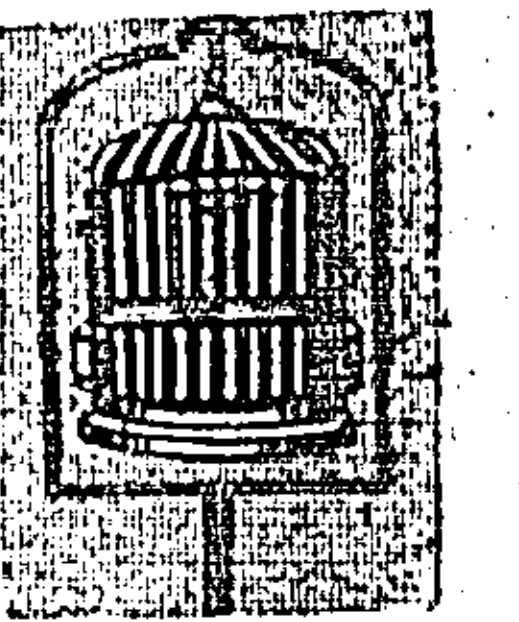
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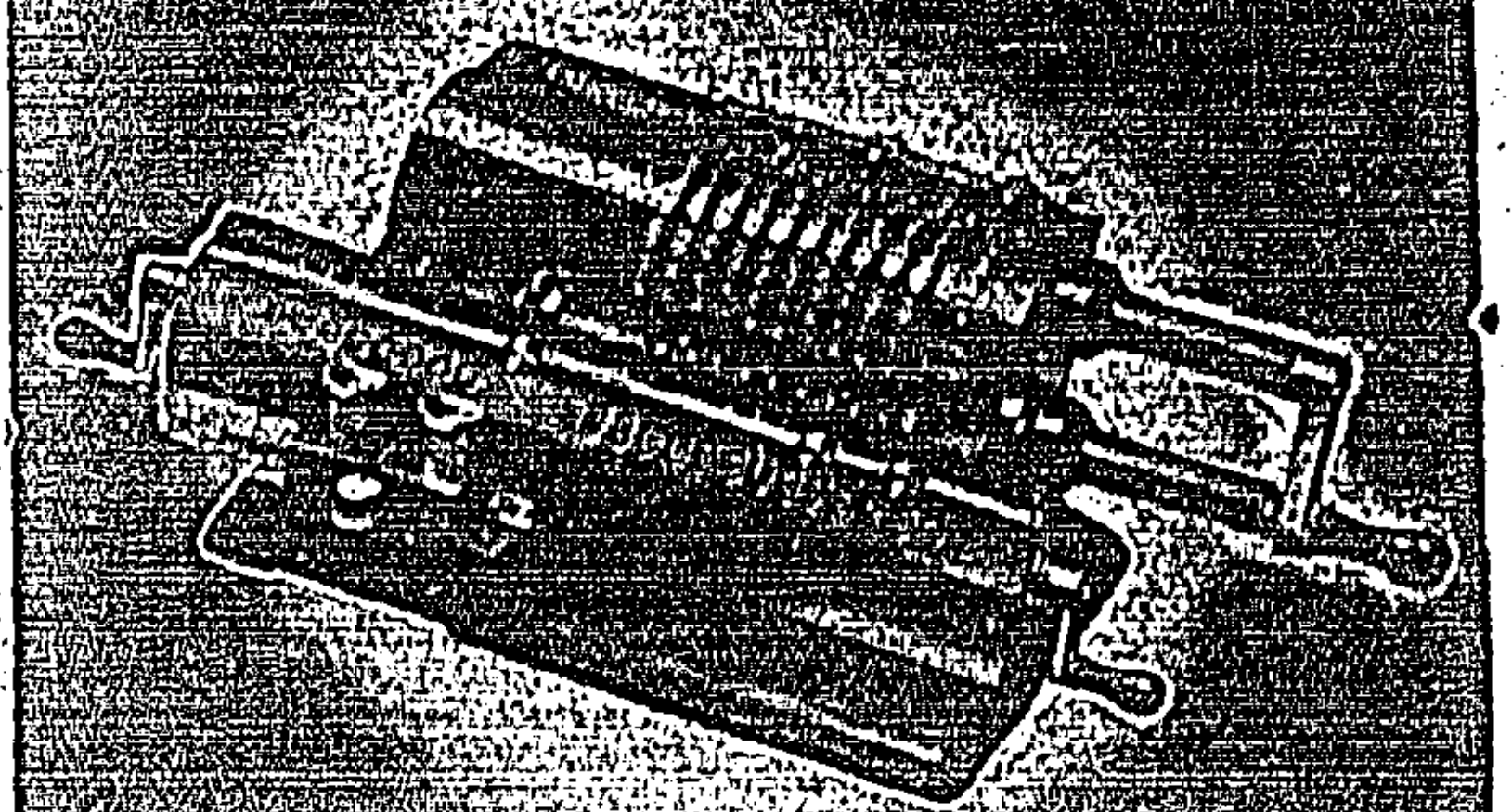
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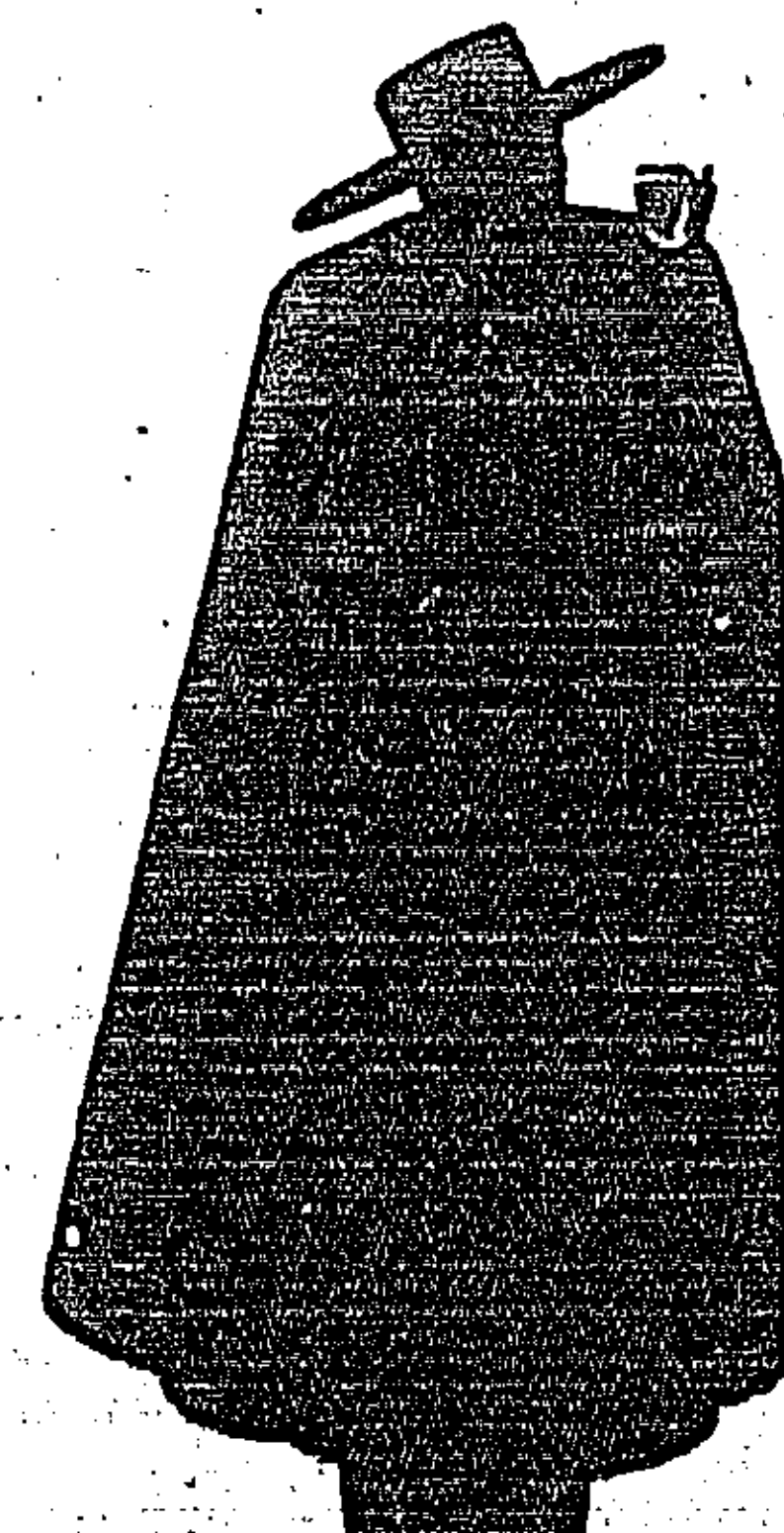
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ISLINGTON CORINTHIANS FIELDING REGULAR TEAM

PLAY CIVILIANS, COLONY OVER THE WEEK-END

SHERWOOD, READ MAKE FIRST APPEARANCES

(By "Abe")

In football, as in most other forms of sport, the element of surprise often plays a very important part in the winning of matches. The Islington Corinthians proved this once again when they swept the South China A.A. team off its feet by the speed of their play in their opening game in the Colony. But the tourists have already played twice here; will local teams, now that they have seen the Corinthians' type of play, do better in the remaining matches? This question will be answered during the week-end.

This afternoon, the visitors will be opposed to the Civilians, who have chosen quite a useful side. If the Chinese were so outclassed, I wonder how the Civilians will fare? However, if they succeed in forgetting the reputation of the visitors, they will do a lot better than most people would seem to think. The Services set about their task admirably on Sunday, and though they were eventually beaten 3-1, they showed that

been one of the most consistent half-backs in the Colony during the present season, and many felt that he should have been included in the civilian side before Lee Kwok-wai. In the first place, it would be poetic justice if he is given his opportunity if Lee Kwok-wai has not yet fully recovered.

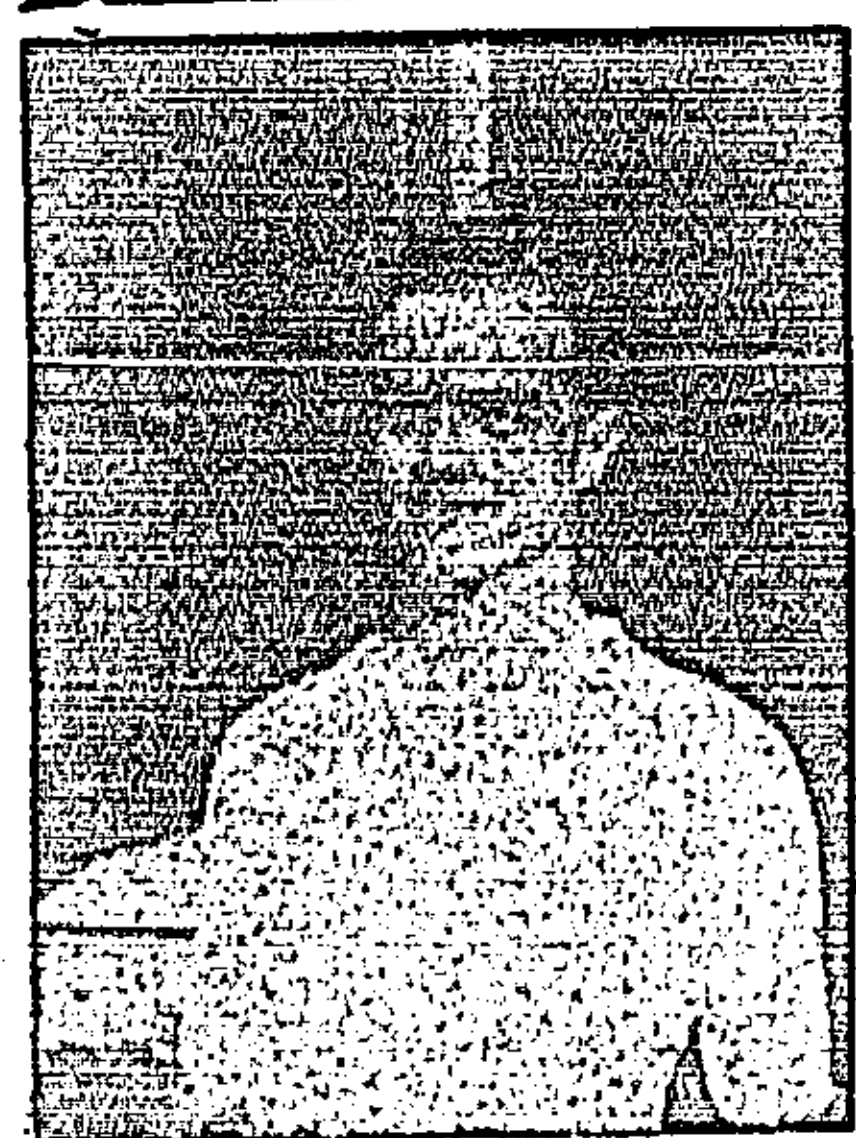
If Gough is played to-day, I think the intermediate line would be strengthened if he were put in the centre and "Sonny" Bliss, the captain, moved to the left. Bliss has played some excellent games at left-half, a position with which he is quite familiar although he does not regularly fill it; but on the other hand Gough would not be so at home as he has not played on the flank for many years.

It will be interesting to see how the civilian forwards get on against the rocklike defence of the Corinthians. Every one is an individualist, but if they get going together as a team they may do something yet.

BACK TO NORMAL

With the recovery of several of their men, the Islington Corinthians are fielding what is more or less their regular team. That is to say, all eleven men will be in their normal positions. Wingfield will be in goal, with Martin and Clark at back. The latter played on the right last week. The halves will be Wright, Whitaker and Bradbury, the intermediate line which, in the opinion of Tom Smith, their manager, is the best he has ever seen in amateur football. Sherwood and Read were tried out yesterday afternoon and were found to have recovered sufficiently from their injuries to be able to turn out this afternoon. Sherwood will take over Tarrant's place at centre-forward, Tarrant will go to inside right, and Read will be on the right wing. Avery and Pearce form the left flank.

The teams are as follows:—Islington Corinthians: Wingfield; Martin, Clark (captain); Wright, Whitaker, Bradbury; Read, Tarrant. (Continued on Page 13.)



"Sonny" Bliss Leads Civilians team.

local teams that there was absolutely no hope for us. The Civilians would do well to follow the example of the Services who continually harassed the visitors, and succeeded to such an extent that they had as much of the play as their famous opponents in the second half.

LEE KWOK-WAI UNFIT?

As far as I know, the civilian team will turn out—as announced. The only doubt seems to be Lee Kwok-wai, of South China "A", who is just getting over an attack of influenza, and may not have recovered sufficiently to play. I heard yesterday that Lee himself thought that in the interest of the team he should vacate his place at left-half to someone else. Whether this will be done or not I have no information at the time of writing.

Lee Kwok-wai played against the Islington Corinthians in London and, having seen them in action in the Colony, he is fully aware of the task ahead of a half-back. For this reason, he will probably stand down for a little man.

The local selectors could do no better, I think, than to give Gough of the Police his chance. Gough has



Sherwood Sharp-shooter back again.



ITALIAN BOXER SUPINE—Question of whether Enrico Venturi, agile Italian featherweight boxer was fouled or knocked out arose in his clash with Henry Armstrong, who holds the world's featherweight crown, in New York. Hardly had Referee Arthur Donovan warned Armstrong against fouling, before Venturi sank to the floor, as above, face in pain. Donovan counted him out.

GOLF IS GREATEST GAMBLE IN SPORT

Said To Be Most Difficult Game To Forecast

By Jack Cuddy

What is the greatest gamble in sports? During the past decade any number of people have asked me that question, and my answer always has been the same: "Golf."

Competitive golf is the hardest of all sports to figure. Form means nothing in this game of the fairways and greens. And it costs a certain party plenty of money to learn this. I am referring to old Jack Doyle, the Broadway price maker. I figure "Old Man Broadway" just about broke even on his wagers on sports during the past 40 years. But Jack will tell you he never made a dime on golf.

But Doyle still has plenty of money that he garnered from the stock market—about which he knew nothing at all. And he will have if he quits golf, says Bob Brumby, golf expert of the New York Daily News. Brumby says Montague is a great club golfer—a chap who will go out in almost any foursome and "go to town." But when the chips are down in a tourney and the crowd is pressing on the ropes, Brumby says Montague will not win any big tournaments.

GREAT GAMBLE

Because of this great gamble in golf, I figure it is safe for me to predict that none of the champions of 1937 has much chance of repeating his triumphs excepting that swashbuckling British golfer, Henry Cotton, who won the British open. Why is Cotton the most likely to repeat? Simply because his mental hazard is less than that of other noteworthy contenders. Cotton is a tall, willowy cold-blooded chap, who takes tourney in stride.

He rides up to the first tee in a custom built car with a liveried chauffeur. He takes off his camel-hair coat and gets down to business. When the climb back into that car and heads for the lurid lights of London—or whatever town may be nearby where his Bond Street clothes can be appreciated.

ATTITUDE IMPORTANT

Ralph Guldahl, the 1937 U.S. open champion, has no such mental attitude, I am quite certain. Ralph is a man whose open triumph lifted his wife and little son, Buddy, right off poverty row. They say the U.S. open is worth \$50,000 to the winner, through the open money and the sport goods manufacturers' emoluments, etc. When Ralph tackles that open again, he will know what is at stake. And that probably will result in his downfall.

But Guldahl wants to win. Yet there are at least 40 top-flight golfers capable of beating Ralph during the 72-hole grind. Uncle Sam's open is probably the toughest competition in all sports. Few realize that the players must concentrate at white heat for 12 hours during that tourney. They must bear down with everything they have for an average of three hours for each of the 18 holes—because of crowd conditions, etc. This pressure often slips perfect games and lets someone slide through to the title who has not concentrated on the importance of winning—and particularly upon the importance of losing.

You can figure the percentage against Guldahl, when you consider the calibre of players most likely to succeed him: Sam Snead, Harry Cooper, Horton Smith, Jimmy Thompson, Dick Metz, Denny Shute, Lawson Little, and Ed Dudley.—United Press.



Henry Cotton Cold-blooded?

COLONY TENNIS STARTS

Opening Schedule On Monday

The Tennis Championships of the Colony, organized annually by the Hongkong Cricket Club, will commence on Monday, February 28. Matches for the whole week have been arranged by the Committee and are now posted on the notice-board in the club-house.

The opening programme contains six matches in the singles and three in the doubles.

The week's matches are as follows: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28. Singles:—Marshall v. A. Crawford; Leung Ping Chiu v. H. Y. Ho; S. A. Rumjohn v. Major F. T. Baines; F. A. Broadbridge v. W. A. Land; F. V. Harrison v. P. S. Leong; L. C. Fincher v. Ma Nai Kwong.

Doubles:—Luk Ding Cheung and Wong Shui-wing v. A. and H. Chan; M. W. and M. K. Lo v. D. K. Leung and B. Szelo; A. Warr and W. A. Land v. F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1. Singles:—J. F. L. Smalley v. I. M. A. Razeck; Cdr. R. H. Rump v. J. C. Pool; Tai Wai Fui v. W. J. Skinner; Cheong Ping Young v. Tennis Wong; W. C. Hung v. Tommie Wang.

Doubles:—G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. Wei Chung and Pang Oi-lam; H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce v. Lelien Lew and Peter U; A. C. I. Bowker and W. M. Barton v. R. D. Dupin and F. A. Fowler; Paul Kong and Lee Wai-long v. Ip Cho Fong and Lui Kwai-fan.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2. Singles:—B. Agafuroff v. Wei Chung; M. A. Warr v. Wong Shui Wing; G. W. Drysdale v. Pang Oi Wing. (Continued to Page 13.)

Brouillard Loses By Knockout

Jack Fox Stops Him In Tenth Round

Boston, Feb. 18.

Tiger Jack Fox, leading negro contender for world light-heavyweight honour, to-night became the first boxer ever to knock Lou Brouillard out.

The heavy-hitting Spokane fighter flattened the French-Canadian in the last round of the ten-frame fight. Brouillard, former world middleweight champion, quit the 160-pound ranks some months ago and was progressing favourably in the heavier division until running up against the powerful negro.

Fox, generally ranked as the third best light-heavyweight fighter to-day, only suffered a simple defeat during 1937. He lost to Al Gainer, another negro, but he scored eleven knockouts in seventeen starts.—United Press.

UNDERGRADS BECOME THE RUNNERS-UP

Beat St. Andrew's In Mixed Doubles Badminton

By defeating St. Andrew's in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League at the Eu Tong-sen Gymnasium last evening, University made certain of finishing runners-up to Club de Recreio "A" in the League. They won their match comparatively easily, conceding only two games during the evening.

The undergraduates found their opponents rather weak on the whole. Even the strongest St. Andrew's pair, W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes, could take only one game. M. Weill and Miss F. Wong did well to beat K. L. Yong and Miss Woo.

Scores: T. F. Yong and Miss U. Khoo (University) beat H. Kew and Miss M. Churn 21-2; beat M. Weill and Miss F. Wong 21-3; beat W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes 21-14.

P. K. Hul and Miss J. Chon (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-8; beat Weill and Miss Wong 21-18; beat Choy and Mrs. Stokes 23-20.

K. L. Yong and Miss Woo (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-10; lost to Weill and Miss Wong 23-24; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 12-21.

RECREIO "B" v. TAIKOO. Playing at home at King's Park last night, Club de Recreio "B" defeated Taihook Recreation Club by six sets to three.

Scores were as follows: A. M. da Silva and Mrs. J. Noronha (Recreio) lost to G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers 13-21; beat S. Newman and Miss J. Summers 21-3; beat C. Bovaard and Miss E. Pollock 23-21.

C. N. da Silva and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat Smith and Miss Summers 21-3; beat Bovaard and Miss Pollock 21-17; beat L. A. da Silva and Miss C. Botelho (Recreio) lost to Smith and Miss Summers 11-21; beat Newman and Miss Summers 21-17; lost to Bovaard and Miss Pollock 17-21.

RECREIO "A" v. FREE LANCES. Visiting the Seamen's Institute last night, Club de Recreio "A" defeated Free Lances by six sets to three.

Scores: J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths (Free Lances) beat M. A. Ribeiro and Miss M. Silva 21-13; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 20-23; beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 21-10.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clark (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 8-21; lost to Remedios and

Miss Ribeiro 11-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-18.

A. L. Fisher and Miss N. Eardley (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 7-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 12-21.

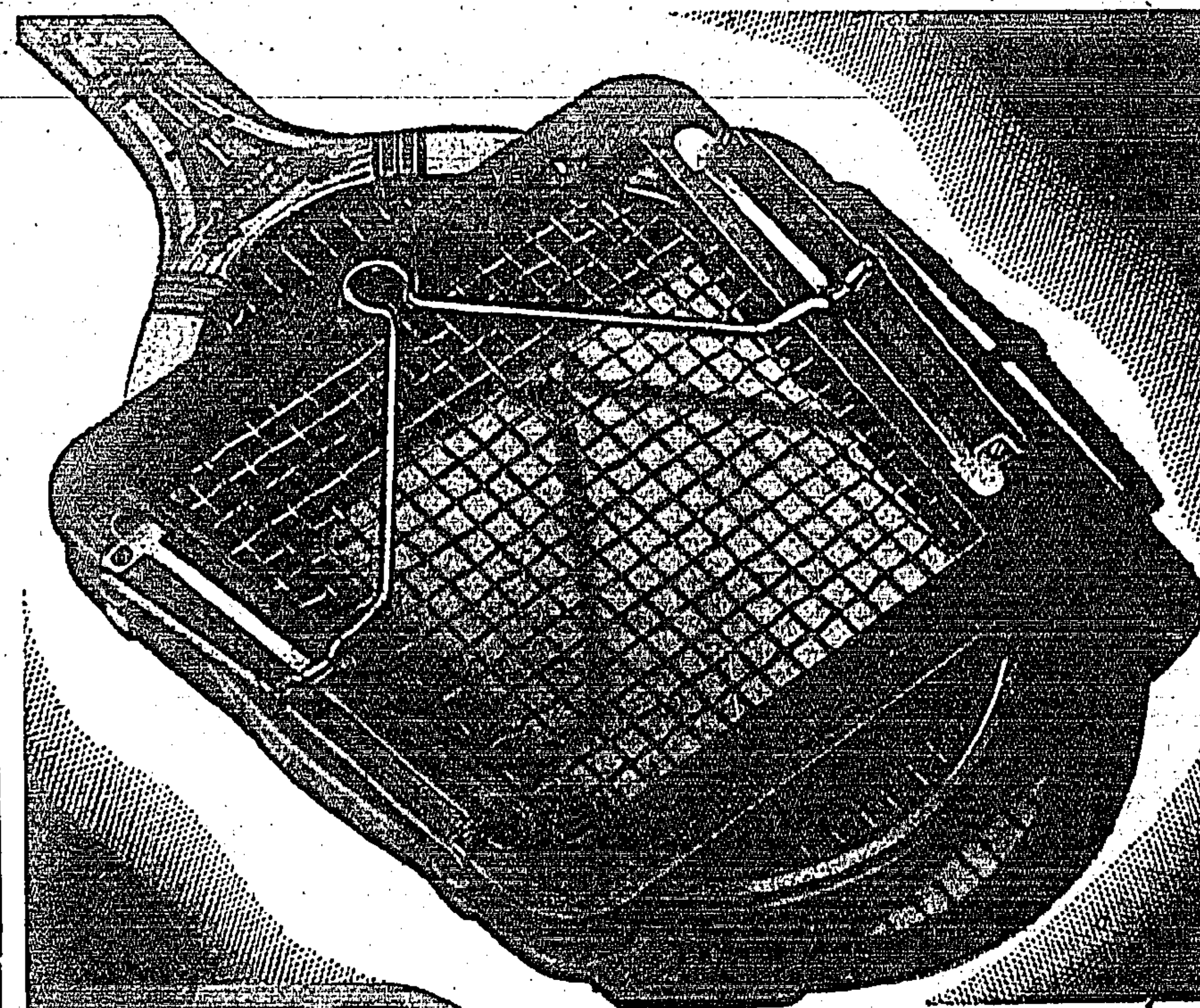
VON CRAMM ADMIRES BROMWICH

Young Australian Coming On

London, Jan. 18. "Young John Bromwich can now be definitely regarded as one of the great players of the day," said Gottfried Cramm, the German player, in a broadcast at Sydney, New South Wales, in which Cramm, his compatriot, H. Henkel, and the Americans, J. D. Budge and G. Mako, took part.

"I had lost to Bromwich in Germany, but he did not impress me then on the hard courts," he said. "But he has impressed me here. I have never seen anyone hit such clean winners out of impossible positions. His two-handed shot is one of the best in the world, and is not far behind Don Budge's backhand drive."

"When I went on to the court in a recent match I decided to play to his forehand so as to keep him from making me run. My tactics were to attack him as much as I could. I had good touch on both hands, and did not fear baseline duels. I waited my chance, and then went to the net to finish off the rally with volleys. Bromwich has one weakness, his service. He does not throw the ball up high enough and there is no body in the stroke. The rest of his game is impeccable. His game has improved and he is a great fighter."—Reuter.



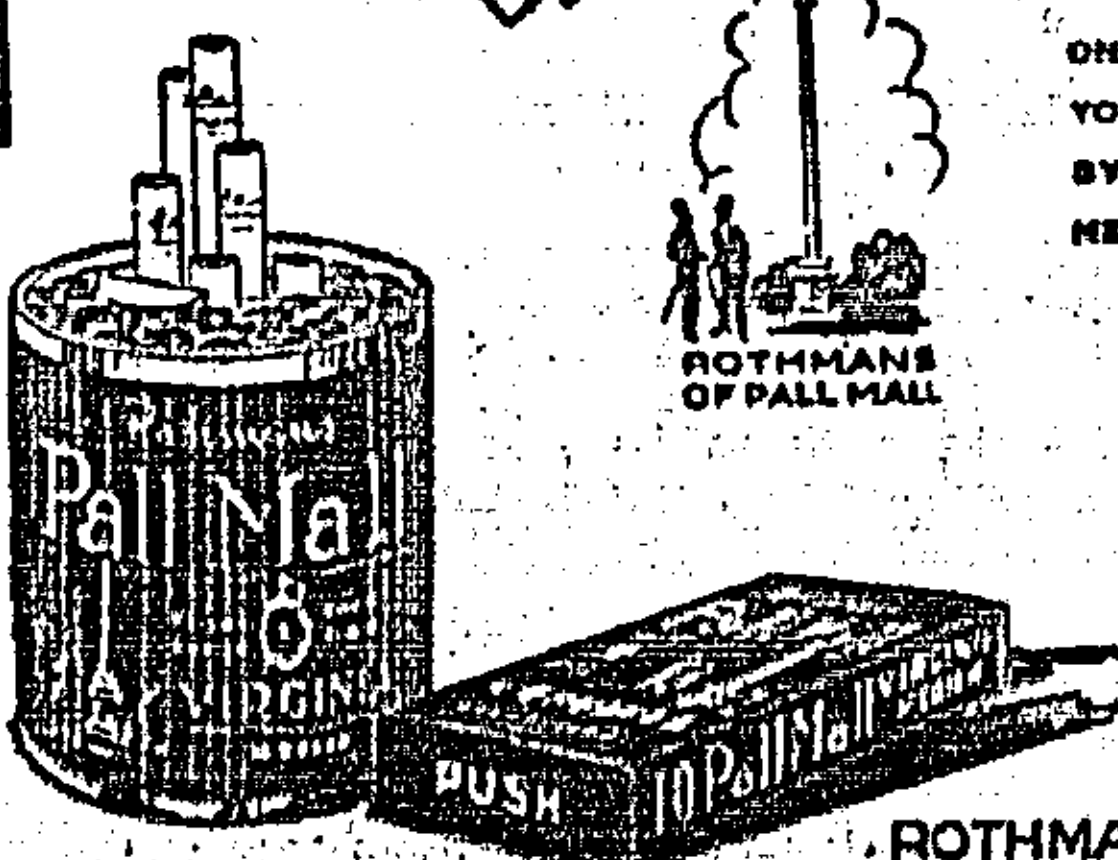
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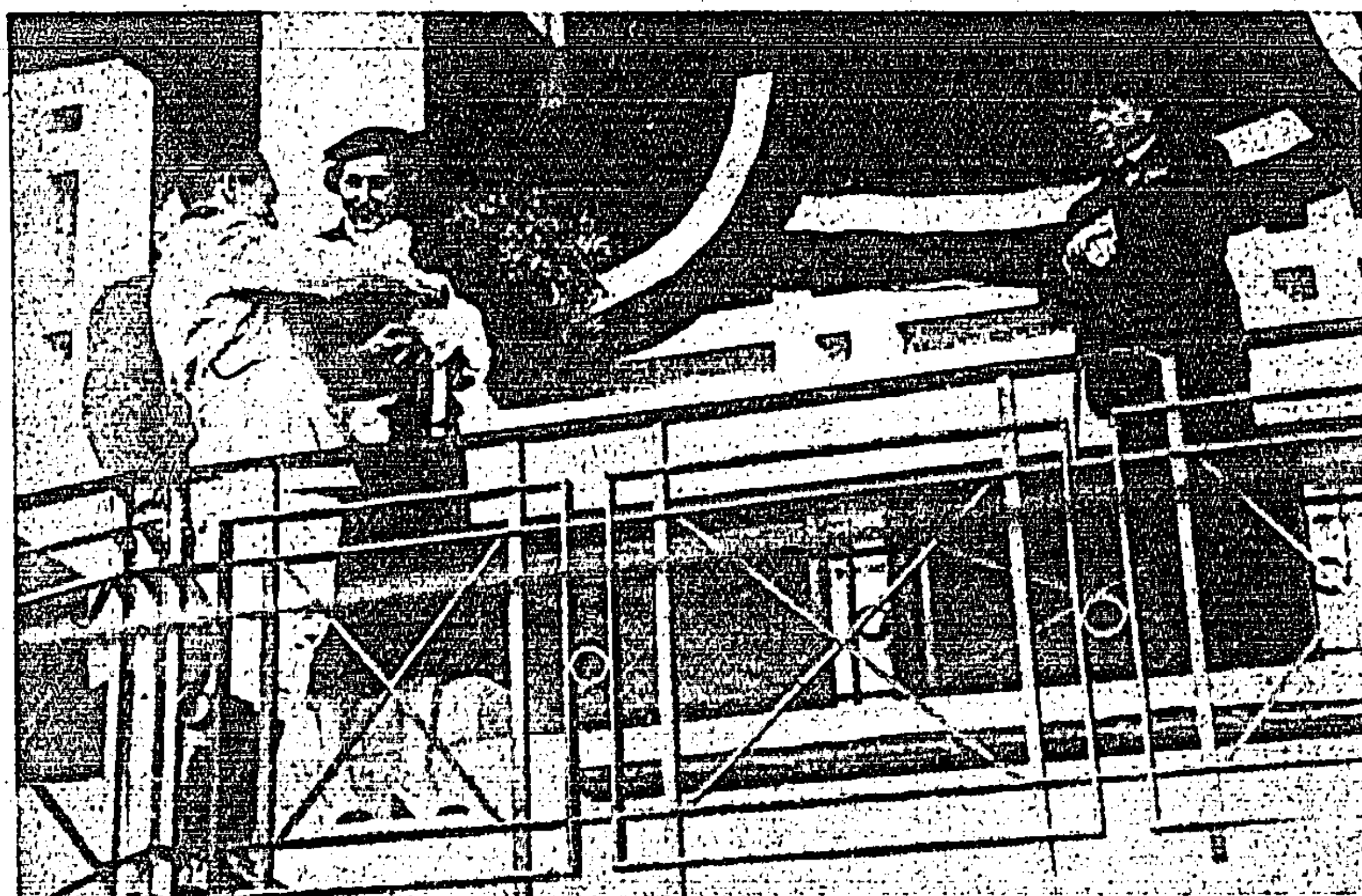
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GENTLEMAN WITH HIS BACK TO THE CAMERA must have a good tip, for the lady on the right seems pleased with what she heard.—Staff Photographer.



MISS JUDITH SMITH, daughter of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, presenting the Ladies' Purse to Mr. C. M. Encarnacao, while His Excellency the Governor looks on.—Staff Photographer.



Dr. Lee Ching-wa and his bride, Miss Lily Tse, who were married last Wednesday.



IT'S A TOUGH PROBLEM, and these ladies at Happy Valley are animatedly discussing it.—Staff Photographer.



THEY'RE OFF! and a seat on the lawn provides a grandstand view. Colonel N. M. S. Irwin, (right), Hongkong's Chief Defence Officer, found time to put in an appearance at the races.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. C. A. Olson and her daughter Rosemary, who sailed for England recently.

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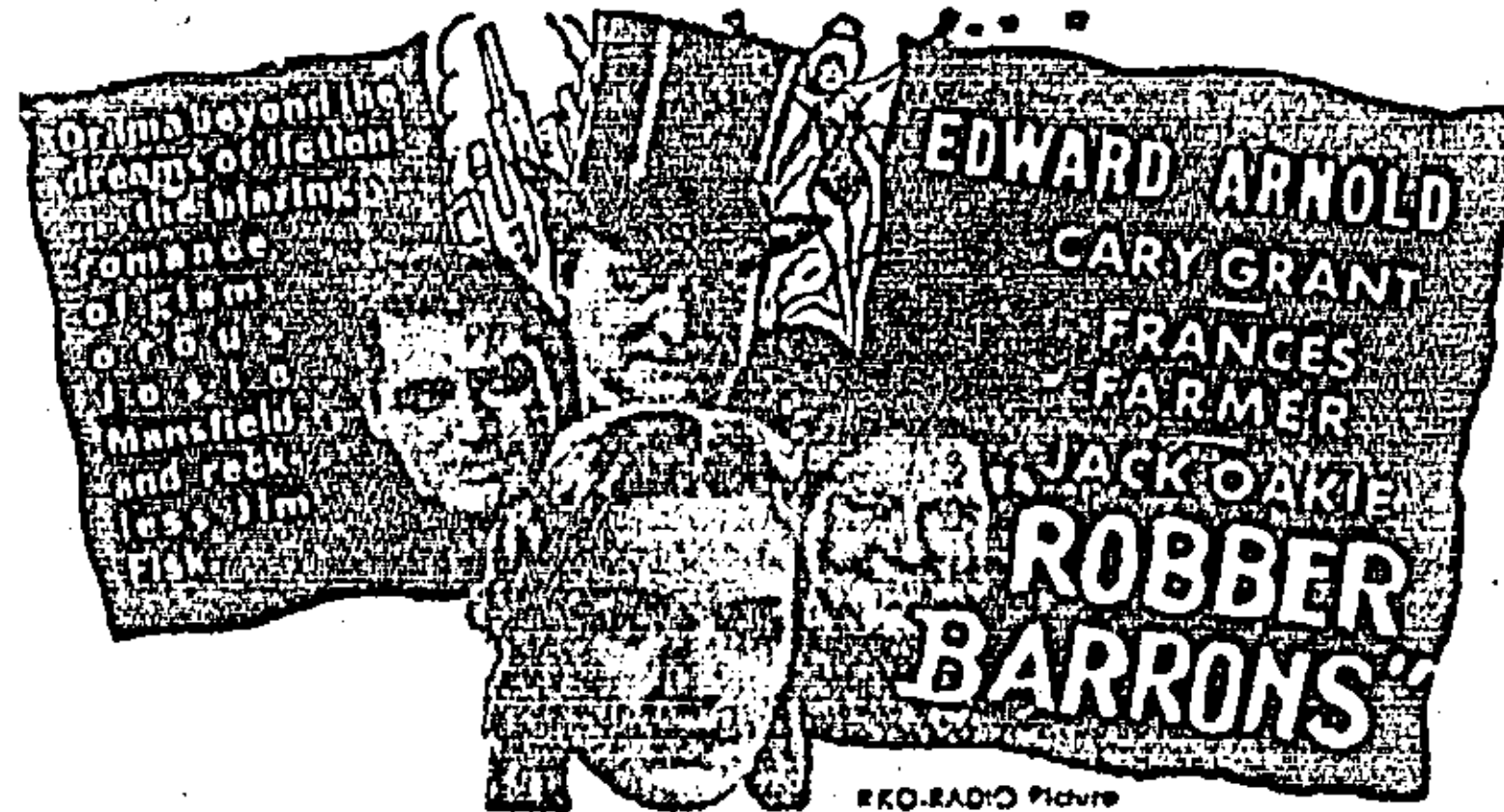
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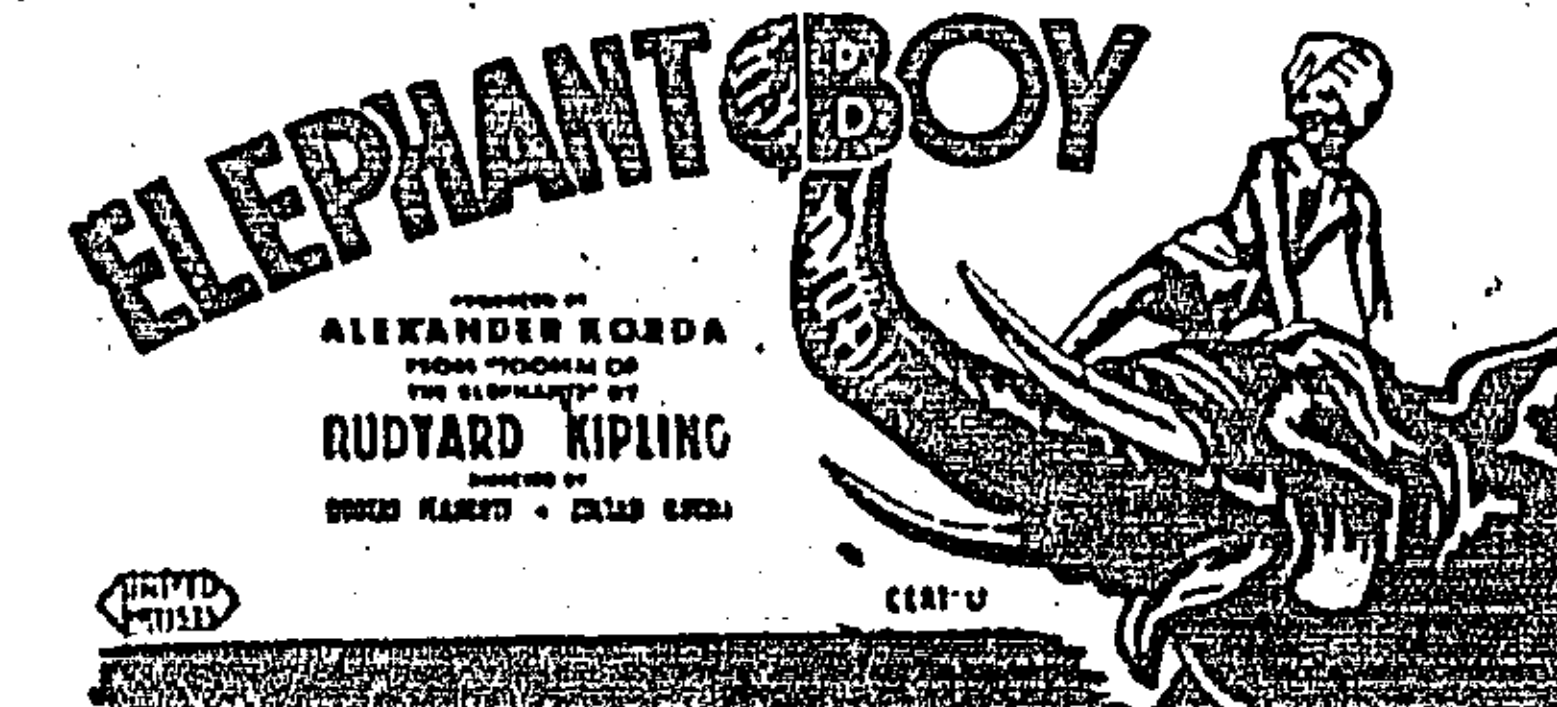
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New Volunteer Officer Takes Up His Duties

Rgt. Sergt. Major Thomas Parkinson, who recently succeeded Capt. (Q.M.) H. Westlake, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, has been promoted Lieutenant, with effect from February 10.

Lt. Parkinson was for some years Accountant of the Harbour Office, and concurrently Regimental Sergeant Major of the Volunteer Corps. As Quartermaster now, he has a full time position at Headquarters.

Other promotions notified in this morning's Government Gazette include Battery Quartermaster Sergeant Charles W. L. Cole, who becomes Second Lieutenant with effect from February 25.

Capt. L. F. Nicholson, Second Lt. G. C. Moutrie and Second Lt. Daniel Marshall have, with the approval of His Excellency the Governor, been permitted to relinquish their commissions.

Stock Market Quiet

London, Feb. 25.
The London Stock Exchange was generally quiet to-day there being little incentive to open fresh commitments over the week-end pending more concrete political progress.

Gilt-edged holdings were easier and then recovered. Kaffirs were steady at lower levels, and foreign bonds showed some good features. Industrials were lower where there were changes in foreign exchanges. France rallied on bear-covering. Wall Street was firmer.—Reuter Special.

GRAVES MUST BE REMOVED

In the Government Gazette this morning notices are given of the intention to make orders in six months' time for the removal of all graves named below for the purpose of properly laying out the areas as Chinese burial places:

Removal from the Tung Wah Hospital Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1929;

Removal from Shum Wah Cemetery, Aberdeen of all bodies buried before 1924;

Removal from Section A in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 3 (Cheung) of all bodies buried during 1930 and 1931;

Removal from Sections B and C in Mount Caroline Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1930; from Section A of bodies buried during 1931; from Tung Wah Hospital, Eastern Extension, of bodies buried during 1931.

STOP PRESS

DEATH OF JAPANESE PRINCESS

Tokyo, Feb. 26.
The death occurred early this morning of the Dowager Princess Hiko Yamashina, aged 64, aunt of the present Empress of Japan. She was consort of the late Prince Kikumaro Yamashina, and had suffered from kidney trouble for the last three years. The Emperor and Empress of Japan have sent messages of condolence.—United Press.

Air Force Shows Rapid Expansion

Englishmen Flock To Become Pilots

London, Feb. 25.
The remarkable response last year among young men eligible for service as pilots in the Royal Air Force to the announcement of an increased number of vacancies to be filled as a result of the Government air defence expansion programme, has been not only equalled, but beaten this year, when the number of vacancies was again larger.

The Air Ministry announces that although the number of pilots required by the Royal Air Force during the present year, which ends on March 31, reached the record figure of 1,750, the whole of that number has been obtained by the end of January.

Of the total, approximately 1,300 had been accepted from candidates from Civil Life, and the balance, in accordance with normal policy are selected volunteers from serving airmen in the Royal Air Force.

The total number of pilots who have been entered since the expansion began in 1935, now exceeds 4,500.—British Wireless.

MEXICO MAY SOON SETTLE DEBTS

Mexico City, Feb. 25.
Settlement of the Mexican foreign debts involving some \$90,000,000 worth of British money, is expected in the near future, according to Mr. George Rublee, representative of the International Committee of Bankers dealing with the Mexican problem. Mr. Rublee stated that negotiations for the renewal of Mexican payments on foreign debts had proved satisfactory. An early settlement was likely after further conferences had been held in New York.—Reuter Special.

POLITICAL PEACE IN INDIA POSSIBLE

Bombay, Feb. 25.
The United Provinces Government which resigned recently has withdrawn its resignation.

The Governor and Premier have come to an arrangement whereby the case of each political prisoner will be examined separately on its own merits. It is understood that a number of cases have already been examined, and the release of the prisoners will be effected shortly.—Reuter Bulletin.

ON UNIVERSITY COURT

Lt. Col. H.B.L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. and Mr. M. P. Talati have been nominated by His Excellency the Governor as Members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.

KINDERGARTEN MISTRESS

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Miss Margaret Gemmell to be an Assistant Kindergarten Mistress in the Education Department, with effect from February 17.

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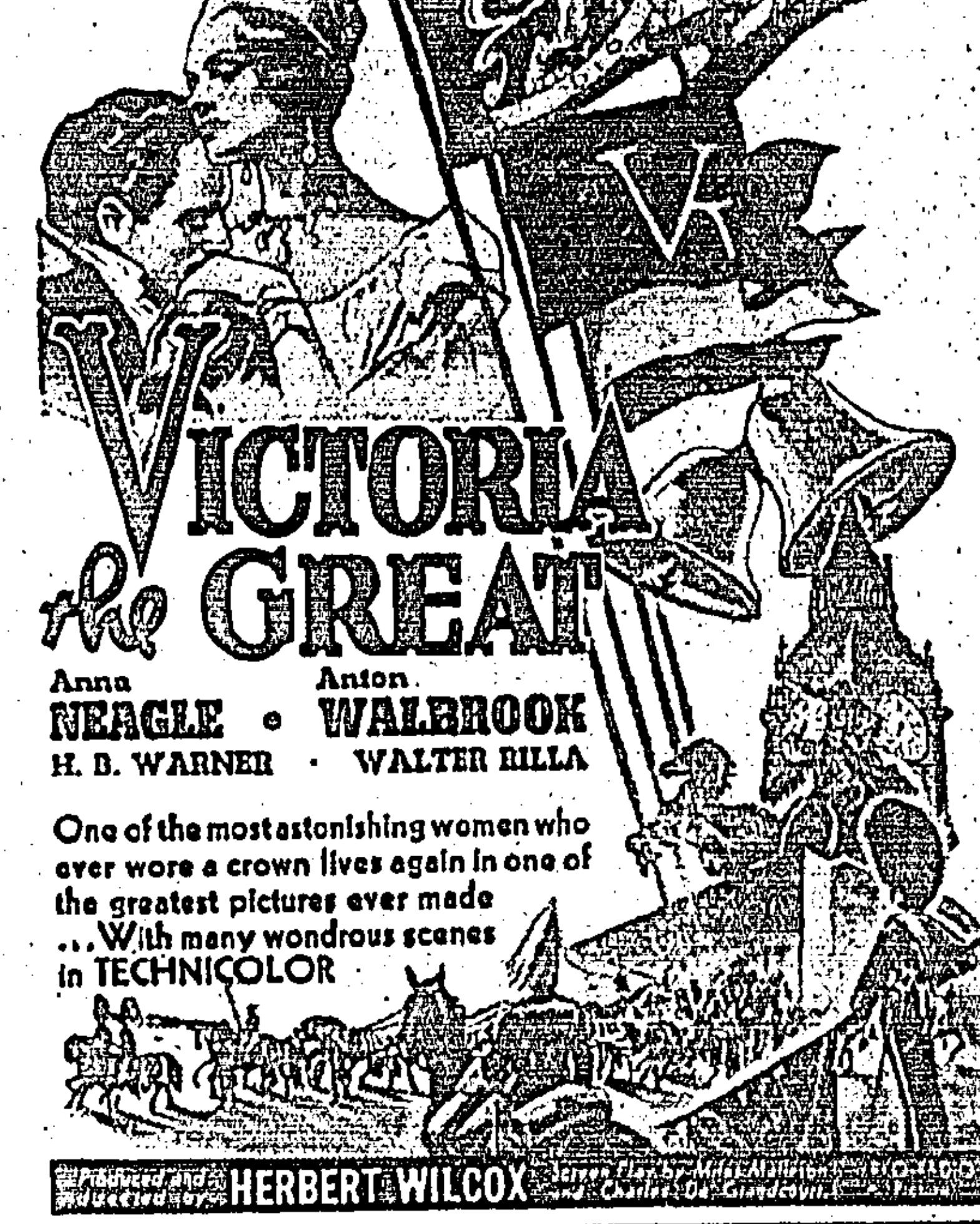
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CHINESE STRIKE AGAIN

Unexpected Attack Near Shanghai
GUNFIRE AUDIBLE IN SUBURBS

Shanghai, Feb. 25.
Persistent reports are circulating in Shanghai that Chinese guerrillas, attacking in a body of several thousands, have been engaged in a clash with Japanese troops in the vicinity of Quinsan, on the Shanghai-Nanking railway, about 32 miles west of Shanghai.
The Chinese, it is stated, are well equipped with machine guns and also a supply of light artillery. No details of the clash are available from Japanese sources, but Chinese reports claim that the Japanese, who were taken by surprise, suffered many casualties. A number of boats

MISS SUSAN SUTTON PRINCIPAL MATRON

The appointment of Miss Susan Sutton as Principal Matron, Medical Department, has been confirmed by His Excellency the Governor.
Miss Sutton has been Acting Principal Matron since June 3, 1935. She has been attached to the Medical Department in Hongkong since May 17, 1924, when she was transferred here as Nursing Sister from Johore. She became Acting Matron at the Kowloon Hospital on March 1, 1934, and was appointed Matron at the Civil Hospital on November 30, 1935.

tended with wounded Japanese soldiers are said to be on the way to Shanghai along Soochow Creek.
The area between Shanghai and Nanking had never been completely cleared of Chinese troops who have been operating in bodies varying in strength, some of which are believed to number several thousands. The usual procedure of these forces is to make sudden descents on lightly-held Japanese positions.
Foreigners who went riding to-day in the western suburbs of Shanghai reported that gunfire could be heard clearly.—Reuter.

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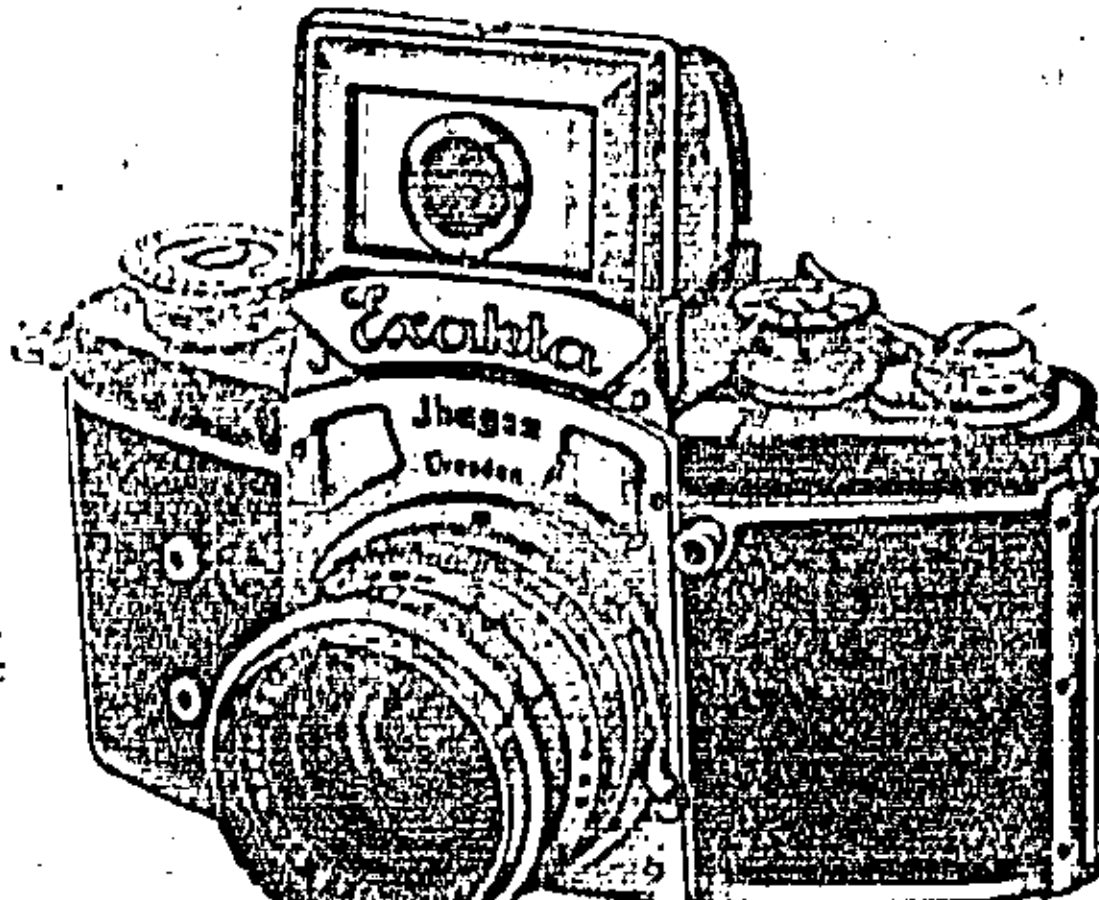
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BANK CHAIRMAN SEES FUTURE DANGERS

CONDITIONS IN FAR EAST MOST SERIOUS, SAYS MR. G. MISKIN

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"Conditions in the Far East are to-day more serious than they have ever been in the history of our Bank."

"The two great nations of the Orient are at grips, grimly determined to fight it out. All the efforts made in recent years to outlaw war through treaties, pacts and covenants have broken down."

"So far from intervening to bring this conflict to an end the leading Western countries are seen aligned into groups supporting widely opposed theories of government; watching each other intently, like boxers at the opening of their bout."

"Few years have seen such contrasts as the past year in China and it is a sad task to set about reviewing the political situation there during 1937. The year started so well and ended so differently."

These were some of the remarks made by Mr. G. Miskin, who presided at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at its Annual Meeting held this morning.

Financial, trade and political conditions, with especial reference to the Far East, were comprehensively surveyed by Mr. Miskin during his speech.

The Statement of Accounts disclosed a net profit for the year of \$15,432,216.

Over forty shareholders were present when Mr. Miskin rose to speak. Addressing them, he said:

Ladies and Gentlemen.—Since our last Annual Meeting, a Knighthood has been conferred upon Sir Vandeleur Grayburn by His Majesty the King.

During a period of unprecedented difficulty Sir Vandeleur has been both a tower of strength to the Bank and a wise and able counsellor in the financial affairs of the Colony. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating him very warmly upon the well-deserved honour which he has received.

The Report and Statement of Accounts having been in your hands for the required period, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

After making full provision for all known losses and contingencies, the net profits for the year amount to \$15,432,216.84, to which must be added \$3,940,769.84 brought forward from last year.

After deducting the interim dividend of \$400,000 paid at 1/2% and Directors' remuneration, there remains available for distribution \$12,127,542.35 which it is proposed to deal with as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 23 pence (subject to deduction of income tax) \$ 7,744,537.82
Transfer to Bank Premises 1,000,000
Carry forward to New Account 3,383,004.53
\$12,127,542.35

The figures of our Balance Sheet have been converted at 1/2%, the same as last year, so a comparison is an easy matter once more.

The principal change is in our note issue which has increased by some \$7 1/2 million and is shown this year in two amounts, while on the other side Hongkong Government Certificates of Indebtedness show as a separate item of just over \$170 million as cover for our excess issue.

100 PER CENT. COVER
The Hongkong Government now publish at stated periods the condition of the currency fund, from which it can be seen that well over 100 per cent. cover is held by them against the Certificates of Indebtedness which we hold. It is not only a great satisfaction to your Board to know that our liability to the public is so well secured but also that the currency of the Colony is in such a sound condition.
(Continued on Page 3.)

New Ships To Trade With Hongkong

San Francisco, Feb. 25.
It is learned that a Stockholm shipping company will begin a regular freight service between San Francisco, San Pedro, Yokohama, Hongkong and the Philippines on April 15.

The ships will trade under the name of the Trans-Marine Navigation Company.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

GENERAL PERSHING SINKING

Tucson, Arizona, Feb. 25.
General John Joseph Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American Expeditionary Force in 1917, is sinking rapidly in the State Hospital here.

The authorities announce he has been placed in an oxygen tent. He commanded in the campaign against the Moros in the Philippines in 1913, having first gone out to the islands in 1900. He was in command of American troops again when they pursued Pancho Villa into Mexico in March of 1910.

Within a year he was to lead the first American army to a European war.

General Pershing retired in 1924. His life has been darkened by a dreadful tragedy. For in August, 1919, his wife and three daughters perished in the burning of the Presidio in San Francisco.—Reuter.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 16.)

Anticipated H. K. Deficit Turns To Surplus

HALIFAX GOES TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Opposition Demands Debate On Appointment

Egyptians Want No Aid From Italy at Suez

London, Feb. 25.

It is officially announced that Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council, has been appointed Foreign Secretary in succession to Mr. Anthony Eden. Mr. R. A. Butler has been appointed Under-Secretary, succeeding Viscount Cranborne.

Following the appointment of Lord Halifax as Foreign Secretary, it is understood that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Premier, is dealing with all important aspects of foreign affairs in the House of Commons.

Mr. Lennox Boyd has been appointed in Mr. Butler's place in the Ministry of Labour.

The Opposition has indicated that a full House of Commons debate on Lord Halifax's appointment will be demanded, both Mr. Clement Attlee and Mr. Wedgwood Benn making it clear that they felt strongly that the Foreign Secretary should be a member of the House of Commons instead of the House of Lords.

GOES TO KEY CABINET POST



VISCOUNT HALIFAX.

who has served in many high offices in the Government, takes over the duties of Foreign Secretary, the most arduous of any in the Cabinet at this time.

A debate on the subject will probably take place next week.—Reuter.

Von Ribbentrop To Go To London

London, Feb. 25.
Herr Joseph von Ribbentrop, former German Ambassador to Britain, and now Foreign Minister, will shortly visit London to bid farewell to friends and the staff of the German Embassy.

It is understood he will see Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, but it is not indicated that there will be anything more than a friendly meeting.

(Continued on Page 3.)

THIS IS REAL WARFARE



Just as the insurgent troops swept into sight below, the camera-man, in his lair of snipers, snapped Loyalist riflemen going into action. Now the Loyalists are no longer at Teruel, though they lost 20,000 killed and 10,000 prisoners in fighting round about the place, according to latest insurgent despatches. Herbert L. Matthews, New York Times correspondent, took this picture.

CHINESE LAUNCH NEW DRIVE ON CHUNGYI; CROSS YELLOW RIVER

Chinese reinforcements have crossed the Yellow River and are launching a counter-offensive on Chungyi, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 18 kilometres from the north bank of the river, where brisk fighting is in progress, according to the latest advices received from the front.

The Japanese right wing in northern Honan is still massed at Fengchiu, 18 miles north of Kaifeng. Small batches of troops have been sent out to scout the north bank of the Yellow River there. But so far they have not yet made any attempt to cross the river.

The Japanese left wing is scattered at Tsuiyuan, Hwai-king, Wushe and Menghsien.—Central News.

Round Up Of Japanese

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Chinese forces in eastern Shansi are launching an enveloping attack on the Japanese troops which have reached Changyeh, Changtze and Tunlu, from three directions, the west, south and north. A military report received here states:

On the Tatung-Pukow Railway the Chinese forces have succeeded in repulsing the Japanese attack on Liang-tuchen, north of Lingshih, whilst west of the railway the Chinese and Japanese troops are still holding out against each other at Shuangchi-chien, about 120 miles north-west of Taiyuan.—Central News.

Japanese Land At Lukang

Taiyang, Anhwei, Feb. 26.
Fighting on the Wuhu front has been intensified after the arrival of Japanese reinforcements.

Under a protective barrage from some 10 Japanese warships in the Yangtze River 2,000 Japanese troops landed at Sanchanchien, and Heng-shankiao west of Lukang yesterday morning. Heavy fighting is now going on these points.—Central News.

Japanese And Koreans Captured

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Forty Japanese soldiers and 20 Koreans irregulars were captured recently by a Chinese mobile unit during a surprise attack on Tangyin station on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 21 kilometres south of Changtze. They are being escorted to the rear.—Central News.

Japanese Army Trucks Attacked

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
A fleet of 30 Japanese army trucks loaded with military supplies, and escorted by 10 tanks, was attacked by a Chinese mobile unit at Feng-tien in north Honan bordering on south-eastern Shansi on February 23, a beleaguered report states.

The Chinese guerrillas scattered the enemy vehicles with machine-gun fire. (Continued on Page 3.)

COLONY HAS NO OVERSEAS LIABILITIES

Assets Far Exceed Liabilities

Repayment of all outstanding loans, with the exception of the Hongkong four per cent. Conversion Loan and the Hongkong 3 1/2 per cent. Dollar Loan, has placed this Government in the happy position of being one of the very few in the world with no overseas liabilities.

With excess assets over liabilities of \$14,002,278 Hongkong finances are, in fact, in a particularly healthy condition. The only outstanding loan liabilities are the two local loans, which total just over \$17,000,000.

Towards repayment of the 4 per cent. Conversion Loan, which has been reduced to \$4,038,000, the Colony possesses a Sinking Fund which, on December 31, amounted to approximately \$500,000. The Dollar Loan of \$14,000,000, floated in 1934, has already been reduced to \$12,320,000, and will be repaid in 1939 by annual payments of \$500,000, plus interest.

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COLONY'S MILITARY CONTRIBUTION SETS ALL-TIME HIGH MARK

Assets At Highest Level In Years, Report Shows

Military contributions by Hongkong last year reached an all-time record of \$5,586,415.

Government pensions, \$2,559,809, and expenditure on the Police Department, \$3,109,696, were also records.

Despite increased expenditure under these headings, the Colony's revenue during 1937 proved so buoyant that an estimated deficit of \$3,498,910 became a surplus of \$1,085,146, bringing the assets of the Colony, \$14,002,278, to the highest level in many years.

Financial returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the year 1937, issued this morning, disclose increased revenue over 1936, under every heading except Port and Harbour Dues. The estimated revenue of \$28,760,250 was exceeded in every head. Actual revenue was \$33,196,368.

Estimated expenditure of \$32,259,160 was higher by \$147,938 than actual expenditure.

Big Crowd Attends Race Meet

Some Good Events On Programme

The most brilliant weather of the annual race meeting ushered in the final programme of nine events this afternoon and probably the greatest crowd of any during the week, was in attendance.

With their experience of the races that had gone before, punters felt constrained to take a final plunge on such attractive things as the Professional Cup, Subscription Griffs' Champions and the Australian Ponies Champions.

Others who possessed through tickets that had not yet brought a return, were present to watch and augment their chances, some good cash sweep prizes being promised.

THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES (First Section)—Winner \$700. Second \$200. Third \$200. For China Ponies. One Mile.

Wong Sui Ngau's **BALVAGE MASTER**, 133 lbs. (D. Black) 1
Lucky's **LUCKY ELEVEN** (C. Encarnacao) 2
11. and 12. **FEI YING**, 152 lbs. (P. Marshall) 3

Eight Starters.
Won by length and a half; two lengths.
Time—2:08.
Post-mortem:—Winner \$200. Places \$50.00; \$70.00; \$40.00.

THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES (Second Section)—Winner \$750. Second \$200. Third \$200. For China Ponies. One Mile.

Tester and Graham's **THE LEOPARD**, 124 lbs. (C. Encarnacao) 1
Black and White's **GOLDEN GOV**, 122 lbs. (P. Fung) 2
F. C. Hall's **FLANCHET**, 120 lbs. (U. V. Needa) 3

Won by a neck; two lengths.
Time—2:02.
Post-mortem:—Winner \$275.00. Places \$40.00; \$40.00; \$20.00.

CASH SWEEP RESULTS

The following are the lucky Cash Sweep numbers at to-day's Races:

RACE 1 \$1,320.00
No. 4320 534.00
" 2314 277.00
" 3560 277.00

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each)—\$750. \$751.
2303, 2304, 2416, 1001, 1426, 2765, 2436, 3023, 1379, 720, 4284, 2165.

RACE 2 \$1,000.00
No. 4196 222.00
" 879 222.00
" 4011 222.00

Unplaced ponies (\$25 each)—\$750. \$751.
4781, 2771, 1475, 4460, 9720, 2307, 2211, 4262, 4024, 2005, 2587, 817, 2436, 2626, 2561, 2059.

TO-DAY'S RACE SELECTIONS

(By "Captain Foster")

My selections for to-day's last seven races are:

GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP

Half-Moon Eve
Lancashire Boy
Just In Time

FLEMINGTON PLATE

Derby Day
Kanger
Zodias

PROFESSIONAL CUP AND SUB-GRIFFINS' CHAMPIONS

Louis XIV
Smiling Thru
Desert Star

PHAETHON HANDICAP

Phaethon
Laughing Girl
Yhan

HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP "A"

Gladiator
Cosack's Beauty
Dawn Star

AUSTRALIAN PONIES CHAMPIONS

Strathroy
Electron
Tornado Star

HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP "B"

Neelad Day
Companiment Day
Tide

DAILY DOUBLE

Derby Day/Phaethon

The duck's best friend

HESTER VALENTINE

tells you how to make the most of green peas—and incidentally all the other vegetables

YOUNG green peas fresh from the gardens! They are just beginning, and for a whole month we shall have them at their best.

This, to me, is an intoxicating thought, because there is nothing in all the vegetable kingdom so delicate and exquisite in flavour as English peas. For this reason I looked forward to winter more than to any other season of the year.

English Peas

Now that they are young they are fairly fool-proof to cook: you throw them into fast boiling salted water with a sprig of mint. In ten to fifteen minutes they will be tender and ready for the duck.

But in two or three weeks' time, when they vary in size a bit, it is advisable to use this method: Get two basins, and when you are shelling the peas drop the larger ones into one basin, the smaller ones into the other.

Throw the larger peas into the saucepan first and cook them for four or five minutes before adding the little ones. In this way you will avoid a dish of mixed hard and mushy peas. Keep the lid off the saucepan while you are cooking them.

French Peas

FOR poultry and veal there is nothing to equal our simple way of cooking peas. But, eaten as a separate course, or as an accompaniment to well-trimmed grill lamb cutlets (if you haven't the facilities for grilling, do them in a pan over a hot fire with no fat at all: they cook perfectly in their own juice), the French method is a delicious change.

Keep the lid of the saucepan on when you are cooking them this way.

Put a good lump of butter in a saucepan (2-3oz.), melt it slowly and add two pints of shelled peas, six or eight button onions, the heart of a cabbage lettuce cut into four, one tablespoonful sugar, sprinkling of salt and pepper and three tablespoonfuls of water. Put the lid on and simmer, fairly fast, for thirty to forty minutes. By the time the vegetables are tender they will have absorbed most of the moisture and will be left lovely and buttery and ready for the cutlets.

Boiled White Radishes

COOKED radishes are far more digestible than raw ones and form another of my favourite midsummer vegetable dishes. You treat them just like carrots: wash, scrape and trim them, put them into a saucepan with just other way.



"I look forward to winter more than to any other season of the year—vegetables are at their best."

enough cold water to cover, bring to the boil with the lid on, add plenty of salt, and cook till tender. When you have drained the water, pass them through a little melted butter and chopped parsley. Or you can cover them (but don't drown them) with a little thin white parsley sauce.

Cooked Cucumber

THIS is particularly delicious with hot boiled cod or salmon, and it also blends well with white meats. Cut a cucumber into slices one inch thick. Peel and have each slice. Shape the halves, as well as you can, into little ovals. Put them in a saucepan with enough cold water to cover, and a good pinch of salt.

Bring to the boil with the lid on, strain and return to saucepan with some melted butter and chopped parsley. Simmer till tender with the lid on. Stir round every now and then as the cucumber is apt to shrivel if it isn't kept buttery. Don't throw away the rind—it is such an excellent garnish (cut into thin strips, and blanched) for clear soups.

Spinach Puree

THIS is an economical way of doing a spinach puree without eggs or cream. It is also, in my opinion, more tasty than any other way.

Wash the required amount of spinach (the younger the better) and cook it ten-fifteen minutes in a saucepan. It will cook perfectly in the water left on it from the washing; on no account add more.

Meanwhile, melt a little butter in a saucepan, stir in a level tablespoonful of flour and a heaped teaspoonful of finely chopped onion. Let the flour brown very slightly, then add cold water, stirring all the time, till the sauce is like thinish cream.

Let it simmer very slowly while you strain the cooked spinach and chop it finely (please don't put it through your mincing machine—half the juice will be left behind if you do). Now add half a slice of white, crustless bread which has been previously well soaked in water. Mash it thoroughly into the spinach and add the mixture to your sauce. Season generously and stir over a hot fire.

Let it simmer without a lid for twenty to thirty minutes. Give it a good stir occasionally and add more hot water when it gets stodgy. It should be like a thick fruit fool when ready.

Spinach cooked like this makes an excellent supper-dish, not only with the familiar poached egg on top but with fried chipolata sausages.

A good variation of the eggs and spinach combination is to make some short pastry tartlets, fill them with spinach puree and put your poached eggs on top of that.

COSY LITTLE SUPPER MENU:

Arranged by FLORENCE WHITE

Soused herring, potato salad, Beetroot, Cold sweet-cured Suffolk ham, sweet pickled damsons, Celery and cheese tartlets.

CLEAN four good fresh herrings, cutting off heads and tails, and lay them side by side in a dish, the thick alternately with the thin, so that the layer is even in the dish, cover with vinegar, put two bay leaves into the vinegar, half a dozen black pepper corns and a little salt. Put the lid on the dish or cover it closely with another dish, and bake for half an hour in a quick oven, take off the lid and if the dish is suitable the herring can be taken when cold to the table in it. Serve a good potato salad in a salad bowl, and serve a whole skinned beetroot in a small glass dish.

For the celery and cheese tartlets, line some greased and floured pattypans with puff pastry and fill the hollow with beans or crusts of bread to keep centres hollow. Bake the pastry, but do not overbake it as it has to be baked again when the filling has been put in.

To make the filling have a gill of good white sauce and stir into it an equal quantity of celery that has been cooked in the milk of which the white sauce has been made, run the white sauce and celery through a hair sieve, season it with cayenne pepper and salt, stir in a little grated cheese. Fill the pastry cases with this mixture. Sprinkle grated cheese over and bake until the mixture is delicately brown on top.

These little tartlets can be eaten hot or cold, and make a snack for cocktail or bridge refreshments.

Is Your Child A afraid of Things?

A MOTHER was recently surprised to note, on taking her six-year-old son to see a film, that he showed not the slightest fear or, in fact, any emotion when a murder was committed on the screen.

It appears that on such occasions as he had previously been to the cinema, he had so far always gone with a German girl who acted as a companion in the home. This girl was of an exceptionally placid nature, and it would have taken an earthquake to shake her placidity; recounted murder certainly did not ruffle her. The result was that the child took his cue from her and viewed with perfect equanimity any horror films to which he was taken.

Few things are so infectious as fear. Consider a public building in which fire has broken out. How quickly the crowd can be driven frantic by one or two hysterical people! On the other hand, their footsteps and don't bump into cars can be calmed by the personal force of someone who keeps his head. And if adults can be so easily swayed, how much more so a child? Other causes do sometimes enter into the growth of a child's fear, but the major one is that of seeing it displayed by others.

Parents are very frequently puzzled when they see a child in the grip of some unaccountable fear. They feel so convinced that they have always been careful not to frighten him. But are they quite sure that they practised this principle when he was a mere baby? It is not sufficiently realised to what an extent the youngest of babies are susceptible to all sorts of influences. As a general rule, conscientious parents begin to put their psychological ideas into practice only when they think the child is old enough to understand.

SOWING THE SEED OF FEAR

The seed of fear can, however, be sown even when the child is yet nothing there to fear.

the period when parents consider that they need not be careful. I have seen babies of two, and even one, start with fear at something at which an adult who was holding them had also started.

The incident may, of course, immediately leave the child's mind, but, on the other hand, it is also possible that his mood and the strength of the impression may be such as will cause a permanent effect.

It should be a parent's aim, before the child is able to understand words and reasoning, to carry, for instance, a serene and poised men in face of anything frightening. Then, when the child is old enough to understand, he should be taught caution and not fear.

TEACHING "ROAD SENSE"

An example for this at once springs to mind. In teaching "road sense," most parents generally adopt a threatening and intimidating tone of "You'll get run over if you don't look out," and the result is a flustered and nervous child. One mother wisely says to her small son, "Don't bump into people on the road! On the other hand, their footsteps and don't bump into cars can be calmed by the personal force of someone who keeps his head. And if adults can be so easily swayed, how much more so a child? Other causes do sometimes enter into the growth of a child's fear, but the major one is that of seeing it displayed by others.

Children are sometimes frightened by things which are new to them. One child was terrified by an adult joker who arrived at a Christmas-party with a huge wolf's head on his own. The obvious thing to do in such cases is, of course, to show the child the truth. In no case should a child ever be what an extent the youngest of babies are susceptible to all sorts of influences. As a general rule, conscientious parents begin to put their psychological ideas into practice only when they think the child is old enough to understand.

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POLITICAL SCENE DOMINATED BY DURATION OF SINO-JAPANESE WAR

Greatest Importance That Peace Should Not Be Delayed

THE POLITICAL BAROMETER is still too low to warrant a forecast of fine weather for merchants in the near future. Perhaps, said Mr. Miskin in his speech at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the catastrophe is perhaps magnified in the eyes of many.

"We shall have to wait a time for a real recovery, but the recuperative powers of both Japan and China are great and will, in due course, be sure," Mr. Miskin said.

"It is, however, of the greatest importance that peace on reasonable terms should not be long delayed. Otherwise the dislocations will be less easily repaired; there will be the danger of other countries becoming involved, while both combatants may be driven into desperate expedients which will deadlock all trade."

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Other changes in the Balance Sheet have not been very startling. Bills Payable are up about \$574 million, Current Accounts up \$55 million, while Fixed Deposits are down \$29 million.

On the other side Cash with Certificates of Indebtedness is up \$91 million, Securities up \$23 million, Bills Receivable up \$40 million, while Loans are down \$26 million.

Your Directors are very glad to be able to present to you to-day such a sound Balance Sheet and a welcome Profit and Loss Account at such a time. All known and likely losses have been amply provided for, and in addition a moderate sum has been allocated for any possible losses which may come to light later on.

CONDITIONS IN FAR EAST

Conditions in the Far East are today more serious than they have ever been in the history of our Bank.

The two great nations of the Orient are at grips, grimly determined to fight it out. All the efforts made in recent years to outlaw war through treaties, pacts and covenants have broken down.

So far from intervening to bring this conflict to an end, the leading Western countries are seen aligned into groups supporting widely opposed theories of Government, watching each other intently, like boxers at the opening of their bout.

Under such conditions, British interests in the Far East might well be pictured in the eyes of His Majesty's Government as only a small item in the sum total of the vast interests of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Nevertheless, the indications are that the importance of the Far Eastern question is fully realised, and very welcome was the statement issued last August, at a critical time in Shanghai, which formally promised "all possible measures to protect British lives and interests" at that port. We feel confident that when necessary and in face of every difficulty we can count on support for our legitimate interests.

Few years have seen such contrasts as the past year in China and it is a sad task to set about reviewing the political situation there during 1937. The year started so well and ended so differently.

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN

In each of the past few years your Chairman have uttered words of warning about the dangers inherent in the unsatisfactory political relations between Japan and China.

Last year your Chairman stated that relations with Japan dominated the political scene. He mentioned that negotiations between the two countries were, when he spoke, in suspense as a result of the Sian incident when General Chiang Kai-shek was kidnapped. That affair, it now appears, was a key-point in Sino-Japanese relations. The result was an accession of strength to those who, rightly or wrongly, saw no hope of co-operation with Japan and advocated a policy of stern resistance to aggression.

The subsequent meeting of the 3rd Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee last February, which affirmed that line of action, which had already been one of the main planks in the policy of the Kwangai leaders and of the Communists. From that time on it seems that the influence of those who wished for compromise and delay gradually waned. An understanding was reached with the Communist army and the way was prepared for action by a united China as soon as the need should arise.

You will remember that early in the year the liberal and friendly tone of the utterances of General Kiang, then the Japanese Prime Minister, and of Mr. Sato, his Foreign Minister, caused a feeling of optimism in regard to the development of relations between the two countries. In China itself there were signs of stability and progress such as had not been apparent for many years. The outlook was, in fact, hopeful

Knatchbull-Hugessen at his misfortune in being seriously wounded when travelling from Nanking to Shanghai on official duty.

CHINA'S FINANCES

At a time like the present for obvious reasons it is impossible for those outside Government circles to make any reliable statement of the currency and financial position of China, or for that matter of Japan.

Wartime conditions prevail and must be faced with a realisation of the dislocations which they mean. However, due credit must be given to those who have directed China's foreign exchange market during the year. Stability has been maintained, and in fact during the early part of the year, as threats of unorthodox financial experiments were warded off, the new currency gained in strength and merchants showed increasing confidence.

There was, of course, valuable co-operation on the part of foreign banks. Moreover, a number of factors assisted towards equilibrium in the balance of payments: commodities prices were still rising; there had been two years of bumper crops; internal conditions were quieter than for some time; the opening-up of the country was increasing the circulation of banknotes; arrangements for the formation on sound and modern lines of a Central Reserve Bank were well advanced, and a fresh attempt at budget control had been initiated.

Such was the situation when in July the first signs of a serious conflict were seen. In August, when the fighting broke out at Shanghai and

the Settlement, it was necessary to take steps to prevent a panic, so restrictions were placed on the withdrawals of deposits in the Chinese banks. These measures were supplemented by what is known as the "Wah" or blocked currency system, which permitted the transfer of funds from one blocked account to another by means of Wei-Wah cheques or orders. This proved effective in preventing any large-scale panic flight from the currency, though it was subjected to pressure for some time. Gradually the demand for foreign currencies declined appreciably and at the end of the year the problem was no longer so serious.

SHIPMENTS OF SILVER

China's interest in silver remains dependent on its conversion into a currency reserve fund in gold or foreign exchange. Thus, during the year, large amounts of silver were shipped from Hongkong to foreign countries on account of China. Last summer Dr. H. H. Kung made an arrangement with Mr. Morgenthau for the export of gold against Chinese silver. This was supplementary to the agreement of May 1936 under which the United States Treasury had already arranged to purchase regular and substantial amounts of silver from China and to provide facilities in United States dollar exchange for currency stabilisation purposes.

No official figures are available to show what funds in gold or foreign exchange are held by the Chinese Government, and while abnormal conditions prevail we can hardly expect progress to be made in the publication of reliable statistics.

FOREIGN DEBTS

At the beginning of 1937 the Chinese Government was still negotiating for a readjustment of certain foreign debts in arrears. In April the London Bondholders Committee, constituted to deal with such questions, recommended the acceptance of terms for a settlement of the Hukwang Railway Loan similar to those already adopted in readjustment of the Tientsin Railway Loans. Two United States dollar loans were also put on a new basis, namely the Chicago Bank Loan and the Pacific Development Corporation Loan, both dating from 1919. Further, the good work of settling up certain long outstanding advances and material debts to Government departments proceeded satisfactorily.

The conclusion of agreements regarding the Chinese Government loans in default and the improved outlook in China to which I have already referred, had a favourable effect on Chinese bonds quoted on the London Stock Exchange and it was thought, early in the year, that it might shortly be possible to bridge the hiatus in the London issues of Chinese loans which had existed since the Reorganisation Loan of 1913. The Minister of Railways first initiated discussions regarding the possible flotation of loans for new railway construction in China.

Subsequently, when Dr. Kung was in London for the Coronation ceremonies, negotiations for the building of a railway from Canton across Kwangtung to Melbourn made progress. At the same time Dr. Kung also broached the subject of a loan to be used partly to provide additional assistance in the stabilisation of the Chinese currency and partly for the refunding of a portion of the domestic debt. We were consulted about this matter but no agreement was reached. We were, and are, bound by the agreement of 1920 between the International Consensus Group of banks, so we naturally sought the views of the other groups in regard to both these projects. They of course had to be left in abeyance

Lasting Prosperity Cannot Come to H.K. Without China's Aid

The difficulties of the Shanghai problem are immense, but they deserve the close attention of the Powers whose responsibility it is to obtain at any rate a satisfactory *modus vivendi* if an agreement on a permanent basis cannot be found just yet.

Hongkong has been fortunate in that the misfortunes of China have not so far had any ill-effects on the Colony. It is, however, certain that for real and lasting prosperity the Colony must rely upon normal and sound trading conditions in China, and the present struggle is therefore being watched with much anxiety.—Mr. G. Miskin, addressing Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation this morning.

BUOYANT CUSTOMS REVENUE

The Chinese Customs Revenue in 1937 amounted to no less than \$342 million, an increase of \$18 million over 1936, thanks to the excellent start given in the first 7 months of the year.

You are aware that negotiations are proceeding in regard to the Customs tariff and administration in the areas controlled by the Japanese forces. It is hardly necessary for me to emphasize how important it is that the Customs Administration should remain as now constituted, and continue to be the sole instrument controlling Customs affairs throughout the whole country.

The present administrative system has weathered political upheavals and civil strife over many years and the maintenance of its existing status and credit is unquestionably to the advantage of both China and Japan, an international trustee he deserves international support. The foreign powers have in the past brought their influence to bear under similar circumstances and they are, we understand, doing so now, particularly as the retention of the "Open Door" in China depends on a good deal on the continued existence of an internationalised Customs Administration such as exists at the present time.

I am glad to say that repeated assurances have been given by the Japanese that the foreign loans will be respected.

Sir Frederick Maze is in a difficult position. He is an official of the Chinese Government, but as Custodian of the revenue earmarked for the service of important foreign loans he has certain responsibilities which are of an international nature. Bondholders of all countries look to him to steer a course between strongly conflicting currents. We are confident that with his customary tact and political sagacity he is doing his utmost to preserve the integrity of this important administration. An international trustee he deserves international support. The foreign powers have in the past brought their influence to bear under similar circumstances and they are, we understand, doing so now, particularly as the retention of the "Open Door" in China depends on a good deal on the continued existence of an internationalised Customs Administration such as exists at the present time.

SALT REVENUE

The Salt Revenue in 1937 is reported to have been very much the same as in 1936 owing to further increased taxation, but the Salt Administration has unfortunately failed to maintain its control over the North China Salt areas.

This Administration has been in the situation of an ugly duckling alongside the favoured Customs, and it has therefore been rather neglected by its foster parents, the international powers. Nevertheless, it is important that the Customs and Salt should be treated on an equivalent basis, as the arguments used in the one case apply also in the other. The outstanding foreign loans secured on the Salt Revenues require a comparatively modest annual remittance should continue to be ample for these requirements.

It is satisfactory to be able to note that, in spite of the war, the National Government has continued regularly to pay the foreign loan obligations secured on the Customs, Salt and Railways.

STATUS OF SHANGHAI

Before I pass on to deal with other countries in which we operate, you will expect me to say something about Shanghai since its status is likely to be a prominent subject once again in coming months.

This is a matter which in of very great importance to all foreign business interests in Shanghai. We have seen the neutrality of a part of the International Settlement violated during the recent fighting. This would probably have been avoided if intervention had been placed in the early stages and thereby much loss of life and property might have been saved.

The value of the existing Settlement regime cannot be questioned; one has only to visualise the situation had there been no Settlement at all to get

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SECONDER VOICES APPRECIATION
OF BANK'S SHAREHOLDERS

(Continued from Page 3.)
The rumours spread from America last April that the price of gold was likely to be reduced, had immediate repercussions of an adverse nature on the Philippine Islands and Malaya. The former was also affected by the labour troubles in America and, as in fact happened, the depression throughout the world, in Malaya the last quarter of 1937 gave a slight set-back to the satisfactory conditions reported prior to that time.

In the Philippines increases in revenue and trade throughout the year reflect the prosperous state of the Islands, but the unexpected statement made by President Quezon last March in regard to putting forward the date of complete independence had an unsteady effect. An early solution of this problem is very desirable. The trade situation is, generally speaking, good, and there is optimism about the future of mining. Our Bank has faced many difficult periods in the seventy-three years of its existence and has seen many vicissitudes in China.

A few months ago our Shanghai Manager, Mr. A. S. Henchman, commented that he found it extremely difficult to see the wood for the trees. He was trying to take a long view and I think you will agree that it is not easy for us at the present moment to see clearly through the dense forest of gloom in which China and Japan stand. On both sides there are dangerous tendencies and pitfalls. We must move warily, keeping our eyes open, ready to welcome and take advantage of the first ray of light.

WATCHFUL
It is helpful and cheering to feel that His Majesty's Government are keenly observing political events on here and are prepared to support British interests as and when necessary. Trade can flourish only when confidence and enterprise go hand in hand. If the policy of His Majesty's Government engenders confidence, then the Far Eastern merchant can be trusted to show enterprise.

As an instance I should like to draw attention to the initiative and enterprise displayed during these critical months by the two leading shipping firms on the China coast and Yangtze River—Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. and Butterfield & Swire—whose staff, in gallantly keeping their services operating, have set a fine example, worthy of the best traditions of the British mercantile marine.

OUTLOOK CHEERLESS
At the present moment the outlook is cheerless and it is easy to become depressed at the prospect of a long series of difficulties in China, but I have tried to show you reasons for not regarding the future with too much pessimism.

Foreign trade in the Far East has more than anywhere been built up by enterprise and by a readiness to face with courage obscure and unknown situations. I am confident that the British will lead the way in tackling the new problems and the changed conditions which we are likely to see out here during the next few years. As for the Bank, it can be counted on to do its rightful share.

One last word I think you will all agree that we owe our appreciation and thanks to the members of the Staff who have worked in China throughout the past year. In each China-port where we have branches there have been critical moments and difficult occasions which have in every case been faced with courage and ability. I feel you can rest assured that your interests are in good hands.

With these remarks, ladies and gentlemen, I beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented, and after they have been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any question that may be asked, to the best of my ability.

COOLIE HURT IN FALL

While working on board the steamer *Eridand* yesterday, Yeung Ngan, 57, a coolie, fell from a height of 15 feet and suffered a fractured left thigh. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

FATNESS WAS IN
THE FAMILY

But Mother and Daughter Both Reduced

One sometimes hears it said: "She'll run to fat like her mother," and it is true that fatness often runs in families. But nowadays, overweight mothers are generally just as unwilling as their daughters to remain fat. Certainly that was true in the case of this mother and her daughter. The letter published below tells what they did to reduce from 10 stone 3 lbs. to 8 stone 4 lbs. through taking half a teaspoonful of Kruschen Salts daily, and my mother has reduced from 11 stone 4 lbs. down to 10 stone 1 lb. We started in real earnest about three months ago. I cut out my cup of tea at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., and mother cut out fried foods. As regards exercise, we just took daily walks. We will never be without Kruschen Salts in future, as they have proved a real remedy." (Miss M.D.)

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BANK AS LIGHTHOUSE
IN TROUBLED SEAS
OF FAR EAST TRADE

—Mr. S. T. Williamson

MR. S. T. WILLIAMSON seconded the motion that the Report and Accounts be approved. It was adopted unanimously.

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock proposed that the Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson, Mr. G. Miskin and Mr. A. L. Shields be re-elected Directors. Mr. Chua Seng-choo seconded and the motion was adopted.

Mr. P. C. Cassidy proposed that Mr. John Fleming and Mr. H. R. Forsyth be re-elected Auditors. Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie seconded and the motion was carried.

The following were present at the meeting:

Mr. G. Miskin (Chairman), The Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson (Deputy Chairman), Mr. J. K. Bousfield, Mr. A. H. Compton, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. J. R. Masson, Mr. K. S. Morrison, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. A. L. Shields, (Directors); Sir Vandeleur M. Grayburn, (Chief Manager); Messrs. A. S. Adamson, J. M. Alves, H. J. Armstrong, P. S. Cassidy, Chua Seng-choo, Chan Shu-ming, N. V. A. Croucher, R. A. Dastur, J. Fleming, H. R. Forsyth, Fung Kong-on, Fung Munter, H. R. B. Hancock, H. S. Hills, Ho Wing, H. Owen-Hughes, J. H. Jessen, L. Kadoorie, Dr. F. H. Kew, Messrs. L. M. S. Lloyd, Lo Kai-wing, A. N. Macfadyen, Lieut. Col. E. D. Matthews, Messrs. M. J. B. Montargis, Mr. A. Morris, Mr. A. Morse, Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., Messrs. S. H. Ross, F. W. Stapleton, D. V. Stevenson, J. A. Tarrant, G. G. N. Tinson, A. H. Vaswani and Wong Ping-sun (Shareholders).

In rising to second the motion Mr. S. T. Williamson said:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.—It is with pleasure that I rise to support the Report and Accounts as presented, and feel sure that I am voicing the wishes of Shareholders in expressing our appreciation to those at the helm of this great Financial Institution which stands out as a lighthouse in the troubled sea of Far Eastern commerce to-day.

The Chairman's Speech has been of a most comprehensive nature covering in detail the trend of Eastern Trade and leaving nothing calling for further comment, and I feel certain that it will be eagerly awaited by financial interests all over the world and be foremost in the important Far Eastern reviews of the year.

The result of the year's working must be considered to be highly satisfactory, especially when it is noted that a profit of over fifteen million dollars is shown after paying all charges and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts and contingencies, which certainly is a magnificent showing under existing conditions. Heavy clouds still make their appearance on the financial horizon, owing to the unfortunate clash between the two great Powers with whom we are so closely associated in Eastern Trade—there has already been an appalling loss of life and property, and, to say nothing of the huge expenditures and the heavy loss of trade. It is obvious that wars or incidents will undoubtedly have their serious repercussions and complications, and it is to be hoped that those controlling the destiny of these ancient Empires will be able to arrive at an early solution of their differences.

Your remarks, covering the Customs, Salt Administration and Railway Administrations which are so deeply woven into the financial fabric of China, are especially interesting, and it is pleasing to note that assurances have been given regarding these interests which are so international in character. With you, we do realize the heavy responsibilities placed on the shoulders of Sir Frederick Maude and we sincerely hope that he will be able safely to pilot all the international interests involved to a successful issue.

CHINA COAST HANDS

I am particularly pleased to note your reference to those who "go down to the sea in ships"; there are also many others serving on this Coast besides those mentioned by you, and one and all have faced their arduous duties in a manner which certainly upholds the highest traditions of the Mercantile Marine and deserve the greatest appreciation of us all.

I will remember our Chief Manager stating at the opening ceremony of this building over two years ago that the Bank up to that time had found nothing too small or too large to deal with subsequent events have proved with vengeance that there was a great deal more than the ordinary Banking facilities necessary to meet the abnormal conditions recently experienced, and we do realize the courageous manner in which Sir Vandeleur Grayburn has dealt with all matters appertaining to the success in carrying on of trade in its varying degrees. We are especially pleased that His Majesty the King bestowed upon him the honour of Knighthood which we feel was so richly deserved—we know that he is proceeding at an early date to England on a well earned holiday after his strenuous labours and our best wishes will go with him.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I now formally second the adoption of accounts as presented, and in doing so I wish to express

our thanks to the Board of Directors, the Chief Manager and his very able Staff, and I cannot let this opportunity pass without stating that we fully realise and appreciate all Mr. A. S. Henchman, our Shanghai Manager, and all those serving in China, have been able to accomplish in the way of safe-guarding our interests in the face of danger of every description.

17 Seized In
Night Raids

Revenue Men Arrest
Narcotic Suspects

Lightning raids on heroin dens were made last night in Yau-mat by the Revenue Department, which carried out its most important work at a time when most of the Colony is seeking evening relaxation or is enjoying its morning tea.

Chief Preventive Officer W. J. Buller and Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit made successful descents on addresses in Temple Street and Wenging Street in consequence of which 17 defendants appeared before Mr. C. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Over 30,000 pills, a quantity of illicit opium, 157 heroin pipes and a considerable amount of paraphernalia had been seized.

In asking for a week's remand in all the cases, S. R. O. Grimmit said they were to be dealt with summarily. Concerning an alleged heroin pill factory in Shanghai, Secret, which had also been raided last night by Mr. Grimmit, in company with Revenue Officer J. L. Stephens, Chan Chai, 23, and Lo Hing, 39, were similarly remanded for a week on a charge of possession. Their case will be taken for committal, as about 50,000 heroin pills were alleged to have been found on the premises. Bail was set at \$10,000 each.

NEW MEDICAL
PRACTITIONERS
GAZETTED

Four new names have been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners entitled to practice Medicine in Hongkong, according to this morning's Government Gazette.

They are Dr. Yu Shu-dong, who qualified at the Tokyo Women's Medical College of Japan in 1929; Dr. Luigi Curti, Doctor of Medicine and Surgery of the University of Rome; Dr. Roy Mar, Member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Province of Manitoba; and Dr. H. P. M. Huh, who graduated as Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at the University of Hongkong in January this year.

H.K. UNIVERSITY
"GRADS" MEET

Graduates and past students of the University of Hongkong recently held their annual dinner and meeting in Singapore.

Among the guests were Dr. Lim Boon Keng and Mr. Parkin C. Kwong, Manager of the Bank of China.

After the dinner a sum of about \$450 was raised for the China Relief Fund.

The officials for the current year are: President, Dr. Lim Eng Hae; Hon. Secretary, Dr. Ivy Tong; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Chan Kui Chuan.

Philippines
To Sell Oil
To Socony

Right Of Exploitation
Asked Of Assembly

Manila, Feb. 26.
President Manuel Quezon has sent a message to the Assembly recommending approval of a contract with the Standard Oil Company for the exploitation of large areas in 13 Philippine provinces at the company's expense.

It is understood the company has informally approved of the contract and the Assembly's approval is virtually certain. It will be effective for 25 years, and renewable for an additional 25 years. The company setting 87½ per cent. of production until it reaches 2,000,000 barrels of oil per annum, after which the Philippine Government will claim 20 per cent.

The contract specifies that the company will build a refinery in the Philippines and will deposit \$5250,000 as evidence of good faith. Permits will be given to other companies to exploit outside the American company's areas.—United Press.

SINGAPORE TO
H.K. FARES TO
BE REDUCED

In an effort to obtain cheaper passenger fares between Hongkong and Malaya, Chinese lodging houses in Singapore have formed the Hotel and Travel Service Union, which will charter steamers to run between this Colony and the Straits Settlements, charging lower fares than those ruling at present.

It is reported that the new organisation has completed negotiations with the Norway-Nanchang Navigation Company of Hongkong, and that the steamer *Halihon* will begin service shortly.

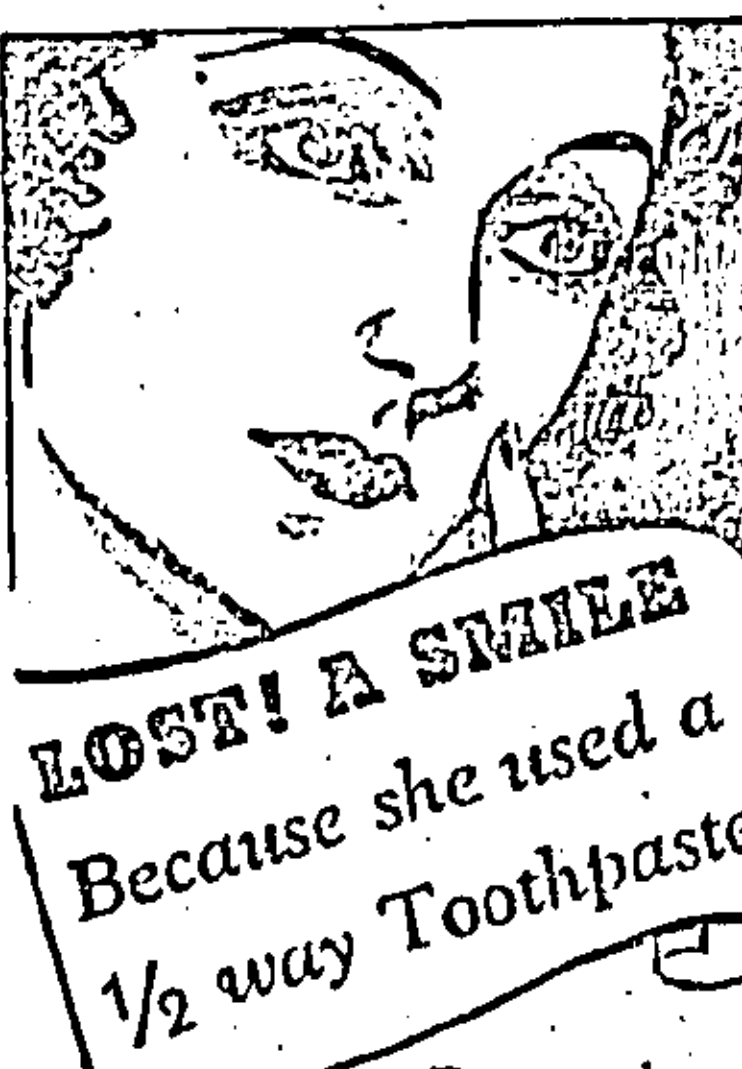
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Military firing practice will be carried out from D'Almeida on Monday, Thursday and Friday next week, commencing at 9 a.m.

March 7 has also been set aside as an alternative date, should firing on either Thursday or Friday be impracticable.

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AMERICA WORLD'S GREATEST DRUG MARKET — Doctor

New York, Feb. 15.

Terming drug addiction "the most misunderstood and mistreated disease in the annals of both medicine and crime," Dr. Arthur La Roe, president of the American Narcotic Defense Association, recently charged that "the United States of America is now the heaviest consumer of dope in all the world."

In a speech before the Advertising Club of New York City, Dr. La Roe assailed current methods of curbing drug addiction by sending addicts to jail as criminals, reminding his audience that addiction to narcotic drugs was a disease, not merely a habit, and the addicts did not necessarily become criminals until he was unable to obtain drugs by other means.

"We have in the problem of dope, or disease-inducing drugs, perhaps the oldest and most difficult problem of all the world's history. Certain it is that it has claimed more lives, and by a more hideous death, than all the wars since before the beginning of recorded history," he said.

Hauptmann Case Not Yet Ended

New York, Feb. 15.

That responsible quarters connected with the Lindbergh case still believe that the "whole truth" of the most publicized crime in modern times was never brought out at the Flemington trial was indicated this month when Governor Harold Hoffman, of New Jersey, reiterated charges that the closing of the investigation at the time of Bruno Richard Hauptmann's conviction was "highly reprehensible."

The governor drew worldwide attention when he jeopardized his political career by staying Hauptmann's execution while New Jersey enforcement agencies sought possible accomplices in the crime.

Announcing the distribution of \$25,000 in rewards authorized by the New Jersey legislature for information leading to the conviction of those responsible for the kidnapping, Governor Hoffman indicated that he still believed Hauptmann was not alone in the Hopewell case.

"I believe," he said, "that even some of those who will share in the reward, particularly the so-called 'identification witnesses' were either mistaken or untruthful. There are official records, not produced at the trial, which support this statement and which I intend subsequently to give to the public."

HANDSOME REWARDS

The reward was distributed in amounts ranging from \$7,500 to \$25,000 to more than one hundred persons who were instrumental in bringing Hauptmann to the electric chair. Walter Lyle, operator of a New York gasoline station who accepted one of the \$10 gold certificates of the ransom money from Hauptmann and noted the license number of the car on the back of the bill received \$7,500 and William J. Allen, Trenton Negro, who found the child's body, got \$5,000.

Announcing that Dr. Condon, intermediary in the ransom negotiations, had laid claim to no part of the reward, Governor Hoffman said: "I shall have more to say about the activities of Dr. Condon in this case."

The governor attacked the credibility of several witnesses whose testimony helped to convict Hauptmann. Cecile M. Barr, ticket seller at a movie theatre, he sarcastically called "a quite remarkable cashier" because although she sold about 1,500 tickets a day, she was able to identify Hauptmann over a year later despite the fact that five witnesses were produced to testify that they attended a little birthday party in Hauptmann's home that night. Other untold details of Miss Barr's story, according to Governor Hoffman, were the fact that Hauptmann was attending a moving picture performance far from home, on his birthday, and though a man supposedly in possession of \$50,000, he said to have worn no hat or coat.

Miss Barr was awarded \$1,000 of the reward.

Amandus Hochmuth, Franco-Prussian war veteran, Governor Hoffman called "another very remarkable person" and another state witness, Millard Whitely, he said, "personally told me that prior to the identification he had been promised part of the reward." Both Hochmuth and Whitely received \$1,000.

The governor similarly discredited the testimony of Joseph Perrone, New York taxicab driver, who said Hauptmann had given him a ransom note to carry to Dr. Condon. Before identifying Hauptmann at the trial, Hoffman said, Perrone had picked out "at least ten persons from the Rogers' Gallery, some lean, some stout and of varying facial characteristics as either being, or closely resembling, the man who gave him the note." Perrone also received \$1,000.

Governor Hoffman admitted that he had sold to a magazine a 50,000-word series of articles on his version and that they would be ready for publication very shortly.

"Internationally, dope looms as the world's worst enemy. A hundred years ago China fought three opium wars to keep dope out and lost them all, each with the loss of a strategic seaport, and a huge indemnity. The result you can read in the papers any day now. In recent years she has been systematically exploited by a foreign nation that covets, if not her territory, then her opium revenues, and so many of her people have been victimized by dope that she is in difficulty to raise an army that does not need dope that she is in difficulty to raise an army that does not need dope more than it does enemy."

Assailing current practices in combating drug traffic, La Roe said:

"We call them the dark-ages, when mentally diseased were committed to dungeons and permitted to die while they awaited any merciful death nature would bring. Yet in this enlightened age, we hurl our drug addicts into jails to mingle with ordinary criminals, and become criminals themselves, while they make new addicts of others."

La Roe emphasized that drug addiction was a disease and should be treated as such: "If one could picture where we might be in our handling of diabetes, for instance, if it were considered a moral disgrace to be a victim of it, and against the law to be caught in possession of a vial of insulin, and if one so caught were hurled into jail after being finger-printed and mugged,—maybe one can get a picture of what we are up against in this matter of addiction."

Stating police and other enforcement agencies are doing the best they can to meet a problem they are in no way fit to handle, Dr. La Roe observed:

"Such laws as we have are revenue measures and their punitive provisions are based on the erroneous conception that the addict is of necessity a criminal, whereas he only becomes one because he can in no other way get the drug of his need."

Dr. La Roe said that the cost of crime attributed to dope in the United States approximates two to five billion dollars annually and "we could write off the national debt in ten or fifteen years by solving this problem." The advertising men were told that "all these sums are a direct tax upon the business you are in."

Drug consumption per capita in the United States was the largest in the world, Dr. La Roe said, adding: "Worse than China, we don't even know how many addicts we have and are doing next to nothing about it."

"We have made a frightful start down the toboggan, and I would not predict that it would take us a hundred years to reach China's present low estate,"—United Press.

Young Folk Wed For 12 Reasons Other Than Love

Abilene, Tex. Workers in the Taylor county clerk's office looked over the marriage licence ledger and then listed 12 reasons why people got married.

To get a living.

To avoid income tax.

To avoid living with the old folks.

To save the trouble of putting on their best clothes to go courting.

To get a slice of "Uncle Horace's" estate.

To get the premium that employers put on married men in salary increases and unemployment liability.

Just for a lark.

Curiosity.

Intoxication.

In order that they might settle down and quit wasting money.

To avoid eating in a boarding house.

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Love also was listed as one of the reasons.—United Press.

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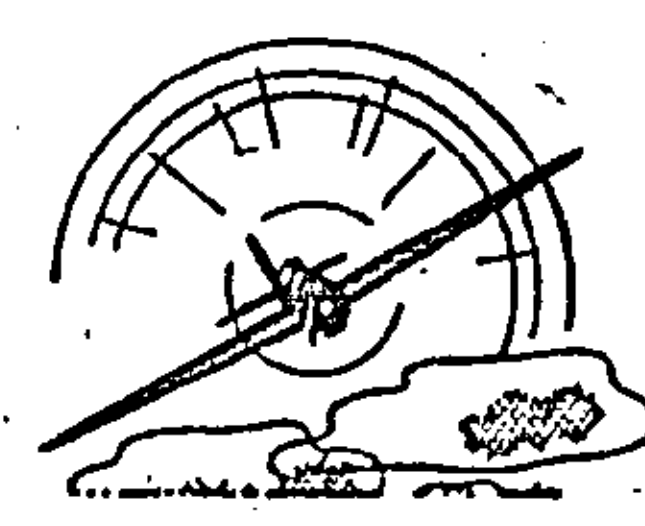
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"There are dramatic schools all over the place; and yet to-day all the professions speak English better for public purposes than the dramatic profession," he declared.

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Referring to "the slovenly speech in the theatre," he said:

"One reason is that our dramatic schools and our producers are so distracted by the other arts which the colouring, the dressing and the stage fashions in what is called 'expressionism' and which mostly expresses nothing but sheer folly—that they have no time left for the central art of speech on which all plays that have any brains in them depend.

"For my own work (he continued) I prefer actors who have been trained as musicians.

An opera sung by people with no ears for music is not more horrible than a play by Shakespeare or Shaw spoken by people with no sense of verbal music or no trained skill in executing it.

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Went Into Oblivion To Escape U. K. Taxes

Miami, Feb. 15.

In January, 1934, Betty Carstairs, wealthy English speedboat racer, turned her back on the civilization of Europe, and established herself on a sub-tropical island in the Bahamas for the professed purpose of escaping British taxes.

Now—four years after saying goodbye to Mayfair and the world of sports Miss Carstairs has no apparent intention of ever leaving—except on "vacation"—the "island-paradise" which she has created on tiny Whale Cay, once a mangrove wilderness.

In 1934, liquidating the fortune which reputedly earned her an income of £5,000 a week, the dynamic little Englishwoman purchased Whale Cay from the Bahamas government, made it virtually self-sustaining and settled down to a life of seclusion.

Miss Carstairs was born some 35 years ago in England, the daughter of an American, the former Estelle Bostwick, who was the daughter of Abel-Bostwick, one of the founders of the Standard Oil Company.

Christened Marian Barbara, she was brought to the United States when she was six. She was educated at Hartford, Conn. During the World War she drove an ambulance in France, and after the war turned to speedboat racing as an outlet for her energies.

Although Miss Carstairs renounced the bustle and turbulence of civilization, she did not give up its comforts. She caused the matted mangrove jungle to be cleared away and much of the island to be landscaped.

She spent an estimated \$250,000 in the work, building a 10-room Spanish style house of cement blocks, constructing a highway system and laying out little farming plots which her employees, mostly Bahaman Negroes, cultivate.—United Press.

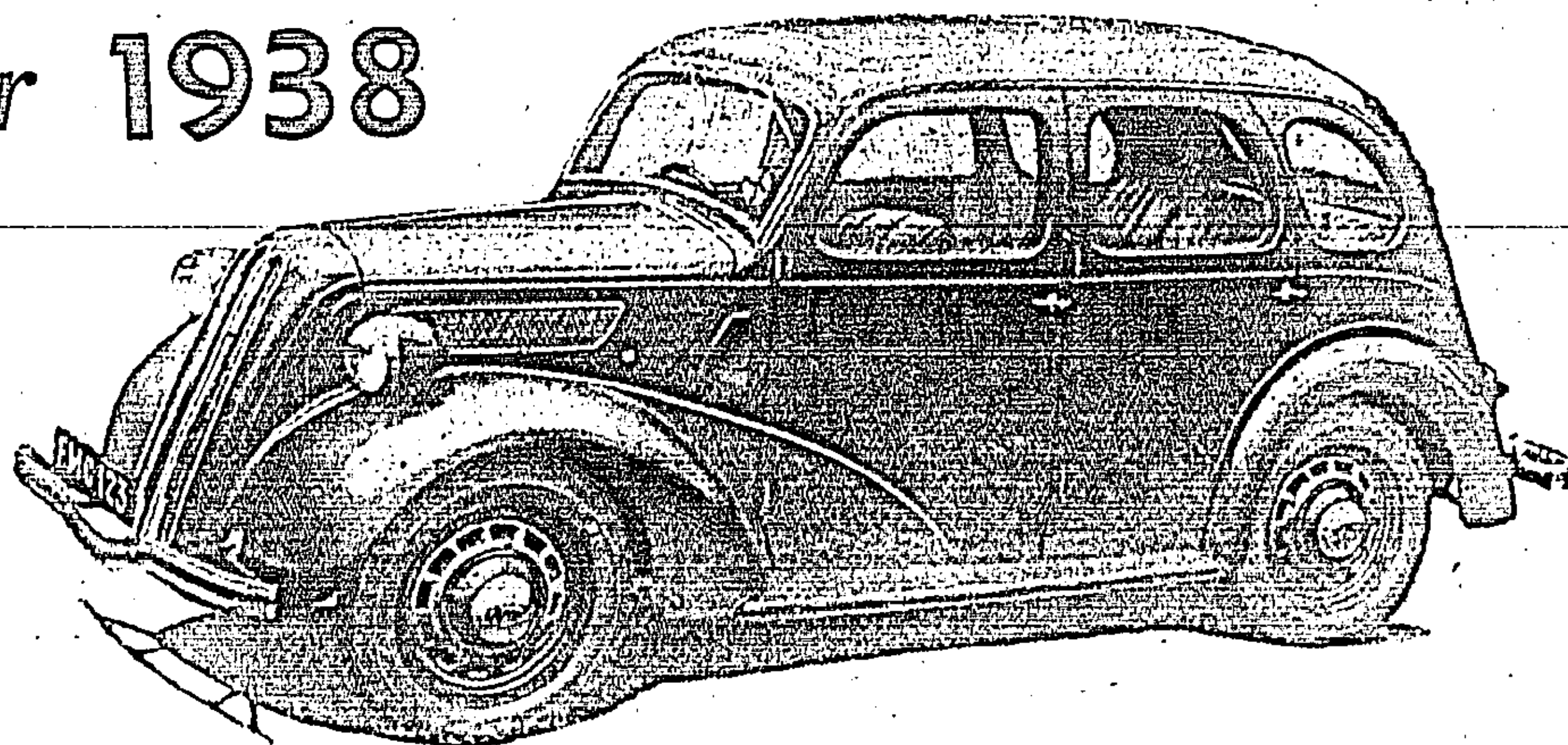
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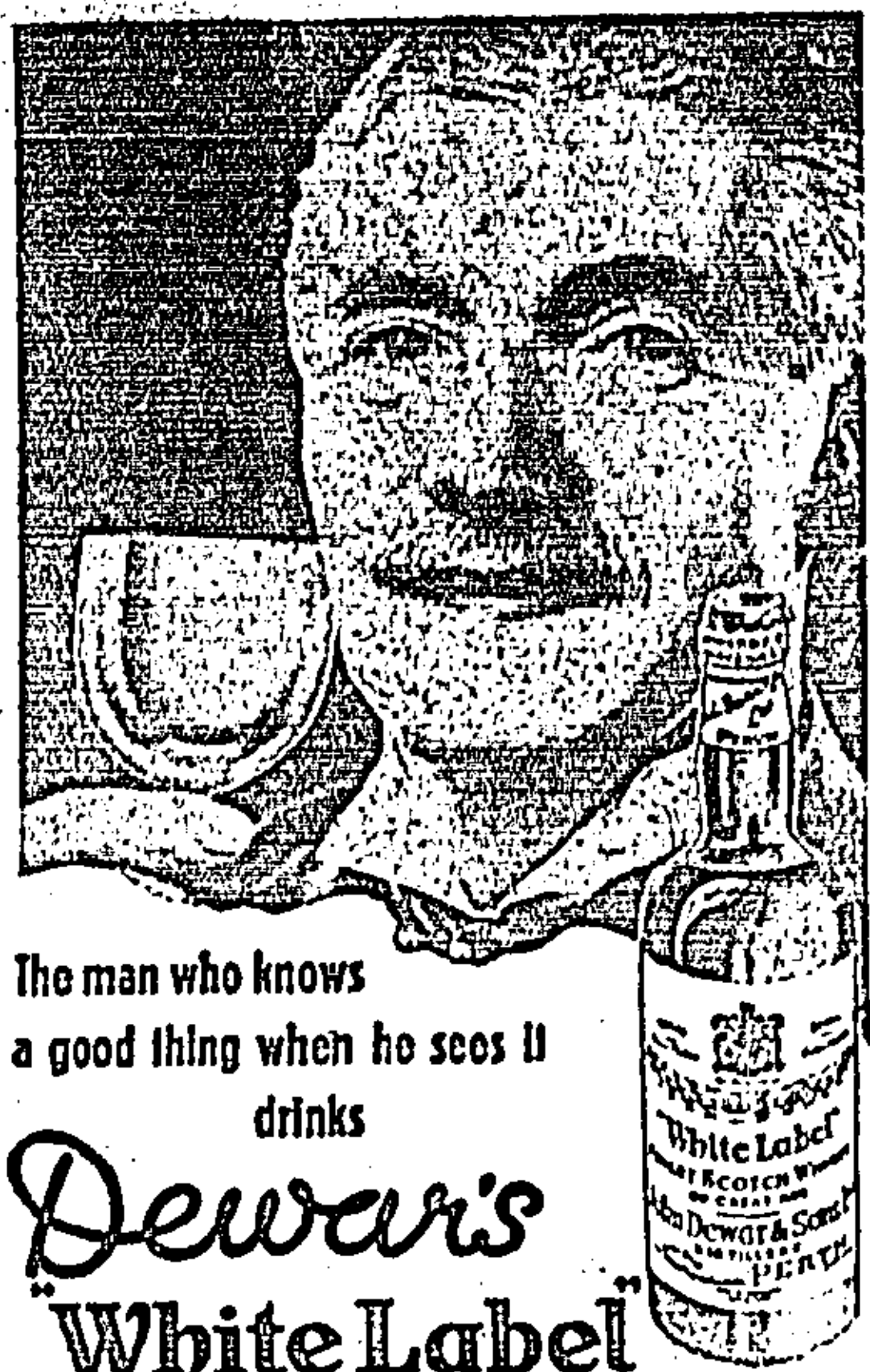
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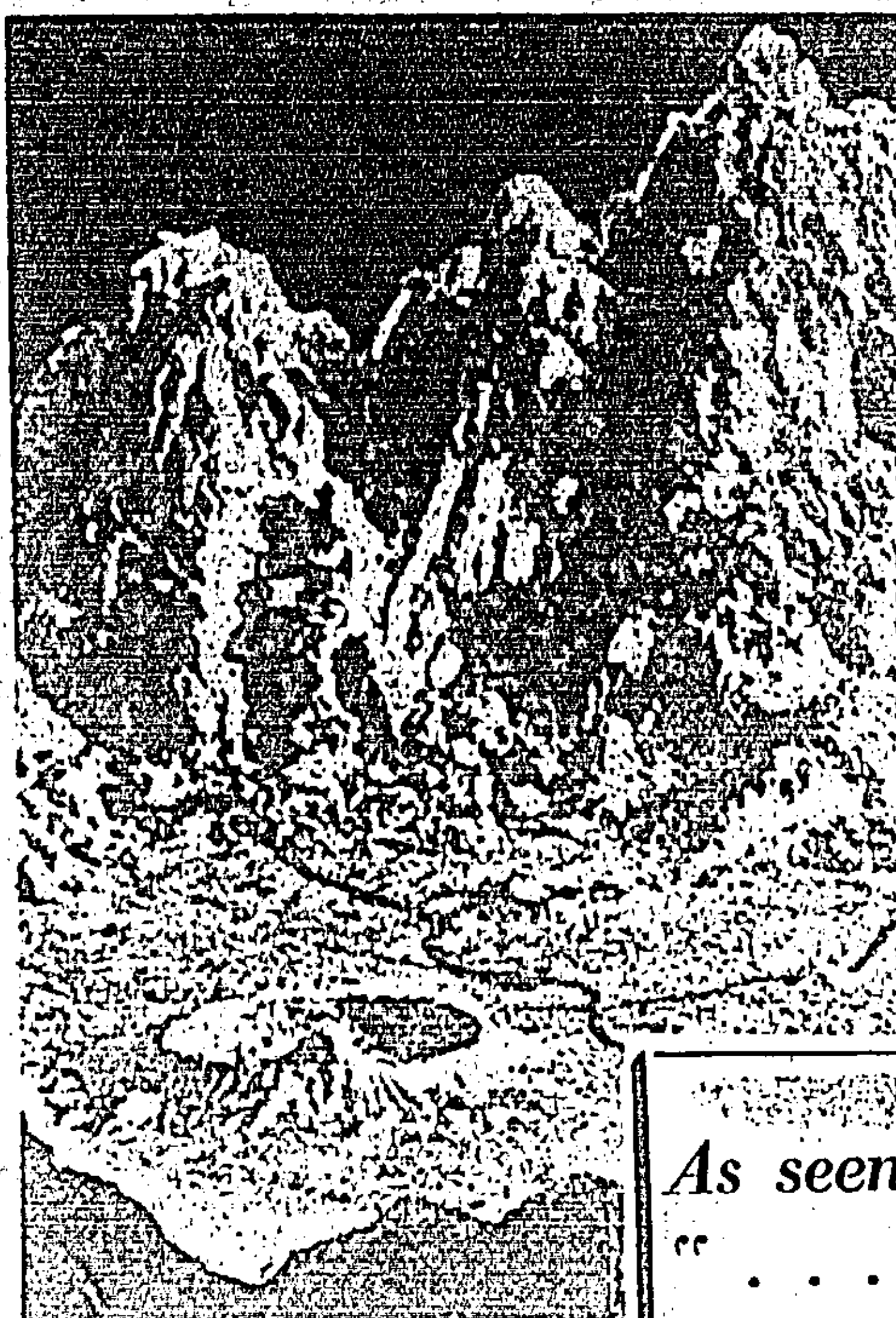
JAPAN GROWS RESTIVE

When Washington newspapers express the opinion that discontent is widespread in Japan they may have strong reasons for it. To some extent, perhaps, the wish is father to the thought; but there is no doubt that certain elements in the Japanese Diet are restless. Their restiveness cannot be wholly due to the slow progress of Japanese armies in their campaign on the mainland. For actually, the Japanese successes have been, or should have been, sufficient to satisfy the most ambitious.

It is all to China's advantage if the critics of military tactics cry loudly for more victories and a deeper penetration of the Chinese republic, however, for their demands may result in a speeding up of operations in spite of the necessity for caution; and generals may be inclined to sacrifice safe communications and sound consolidation for the reckless sort of warfare which pleases the public because it is spectacular.

It is not known with any certainty why General Matsui was recalled from China. It is possible that he was removed from command because of his outspoken hostility to protracted negotiations over the fate of the Chinese Customs revenue. It is possible that he was wanted for some other work. Or it may be that in Japan, as with other nations at war, politics play a not unimportant part in appointments in high places, and General Matsui has been "axed" like other able men in other armies. Here again, whatever the cause, the effect is not detrimental to China; for there must be a certain amount of anxiety among Japanese when they consider that the general whose armies have been advertised as invincible and whose casualties infinitesimal as compared to those of his opponents, has been suddenly recalled. It is not unreasonable to suppose that the picture is as bright as it has been painted; whether the newspapers in Japan tell the whole story; whether the army's and navy's spokesmen are quite accurate when they tell of Japanese air raids which destroyed scores of Chinese planes without the loss of a single one of the attacking force.

The impregnable Japanese air defences have been broken, and Chinese planes have reached Formosa. On one side—the Japanese—the casualties are minimised and the impression is given that the bombing raid was a complete failure insofar as military objectives were concerned. The Chinese state that they destroyed a number of aircraft and important fixtures at the base they attacked. This discrepancy is relatively unimportant. What does count—



I HAD to climb a high step-ladder to see it. But when I had climbed this step-ladder in a back garden in South London I saw something that only a handful of men in the world had seen.

It was a new star—a Nova—and the step-ladder led to the eyepiece of the great 20in. reflecting telescope with which Dr. W. H. Stevenson, Fellow and past President of the Royal Astronomical Society, carries out his nightly researches.

A pin-point of reddish light, this was the new star which had sent a ripple of excitement through the ranks of astronomers when it was discovered, a few days before, by the Swedish observer, Nils Tamm.

A sudden, stupendous explosion of gases, many hundreds of years ago, in those far confines of the universe, and now the rent star had just flared out redly in the fields of our telescopes.

THE "VERY IDEA"

ALL IS NOT GOLD-FISH THAT GOES INTO THE FRYING-PAN

By EDDIE "FISHFACE" KELLY

A READER of the South China Morning Post wants to know how to bring up gold-fish.

He should have written to us. Let us tell you that anything we don't know about gold-fish, the gold-fish don't know about it either.

and must be recognised by the Japanese authorities—is the moral effect of this piercing of the Japanese inner defences by a daring Chinese squadron. It does not matter that the raiders were led by an American and that Russians and other Europeans probably took part. The fact is that Japanese citizens will not feel themselves so secure, for already the air raid alarms have sounded in many cities in Japan and whole districts have been warned of an approaching enemy raider. It is not too much to say that few Japanese ever expected this sort of treatment at the hands of the Chinese.

Here, then, are a few of the reasons why Japan's politicians may be restive and why there are indications of discontent in the country. The symptoms mean that the Japanese are awakening to the fact that the war in China is not exactly a series of manoeuvres and easy victories and that they may have to pay dearly for the land they have seized in Asia. But they do not mean that a political upheaval is imminent, and that is what Washington papers seem to imply.

Our missus and us, we once sat up all night with a sick gold-fish. Whooping cough was the trouble.

We did everything in our power, but the Grim Reaper claimed our little Jim, and he passed over the Great Divide with one faint, final whoop.

Our wife, with the desperate insolence borne of grief, turned to us and said: "I told you that rum you gave him wouldn't do him any good."

WE just glanced at her and left the room. It was months before we would speak to her again. We now pursue our studies alone. We have watched the fish through its life span.

Cradled it through birth, nursed it through the anxious stages of adolescence when its character was being formed, watched it grow bigger and bigger until it got curvature of the spine swimming around the bowl.

We saw it develop the home instinct as it reached its teens. One female gold-fish we had climbed out of the water every day to polish the outside of the bowl.

Before the missus left us after our quarrel about little

Jim, we spent many an interesting hour together, teaching the little chappies to swim.

We would stand on one side of the bowl, making paddling motions with our hands and one foot, and the missus would stand on the other side encouraging the fish "Come along, bubble... Bubble-wubble, come to mamma."

They learnt in no time. They weren't so hot on the American crawl, but you should have seen them on the breast stroke.

So there you are.

I VISIT the MOON

By

Roderick

Morison

A Double Star

EASTWARD the big cylinder swung. "I am going to show you a double star," said Dr. Stevenson.

I misheard him. "Devil star?" I queried.

He laughed. "Devil star?" Yes, I'll show you the Devil Star. It happens to be a double star as well."

And in a moment I was looking at Algol—the "Ghoul" or "Demon Star"—which excited superstitious wonder in the minds of the ancients because it waxed and waned eternally.

Algol still loses and regains three-fifths of its light once in about 70 hours, but we know now that the Demon has an invisible companion which, circling round it, partly eclipses it every three days.

"Now for a good-looking double star," said the astronomer, and in the field of view I saw a glittering drop-carrying—two jewel points, one golden-hued, the other pale blue. Millions of miles separated the two great suns, which were yet bound together by the invisible chain of gravitation.

And next it was Nova Herculis, the star which blazed out suddenly in December 1934. Through the little eye-lens shone a lamp of purest emerald. A point of light only. No telescope yet made will show the true disc of a star.

Unlike most Novae, this star in the constellation Hercules refuses to sink back into obscurity, and it is now but little fainter than it was a year ago.

A gentle nudge of the telescope, and I came upon a great scattering of diamonds, the "grand light-stain"—as Sir Robert Ball once called it—of the Hercules star-cluster.

There are 50,000 stars or more in this group, and I was (and still am) hurtling towards them at some twelve miles a second. But as they are a little matter of 204,299,360,000,000 miles away....

Faces upturned in a South London garden....leaves whispering...terrestrial tea and sandwiches and cakes waiting...

Says She Was Sold For £30

A 19-YEAR-OLD American girl has just revealed to the San Francisco police how she was sold as a white slave for £30.

Following her revelations, police made 40 arrests in lightning raids on white slave dens in San Francisco and cities round the Bay.

Among those arrested were several policemen, it is stated, but names are being withheld (reports the Daily Herald San Francisco correspondent).

The story of the 19-year-old girl, Jeanne Marie Walker, is borne out by another girl, aged only 15. Film-struck, Jeanne left home for Hollywood, but her money ran out, she took a job as a barmaid, and was tricked by a man called McGregor into white slavery.

"He offered me a job," she declared, "but actually he sold me for \$100."

Moved continually from one place to another, she was kept under watch all the time—until the day when she managed to escape and tell her story to the police.

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Hongkong Telegraph

PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1938

Readers are invited
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of local interest for
publication in this
supplement.



"SO SAD ABOUT EUROPE" was one of the one-act plays given by members of St. Andrew's Club recently. The cast is shown above. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



THIS INTERESTING PHOTOGRAPH was taken at a reunion of Old Boys of the Government Central School, each of whom attended its classes half a century ago. They are (back row) Messrs. Lai Kam-fat, Fung Ki cheuk, Shi Yu-man, B. Wong Tze, Pui Yun fong, Hung Hing-fat, (front row) Lo Cheung ip, Pang Shau chun, Ho Kom-tong, Frank W. White, Walter Bosman, Ho U-ming, Chiu Ho-ping, and Yeung Cheuk-kai. (Photo: A. Fong).



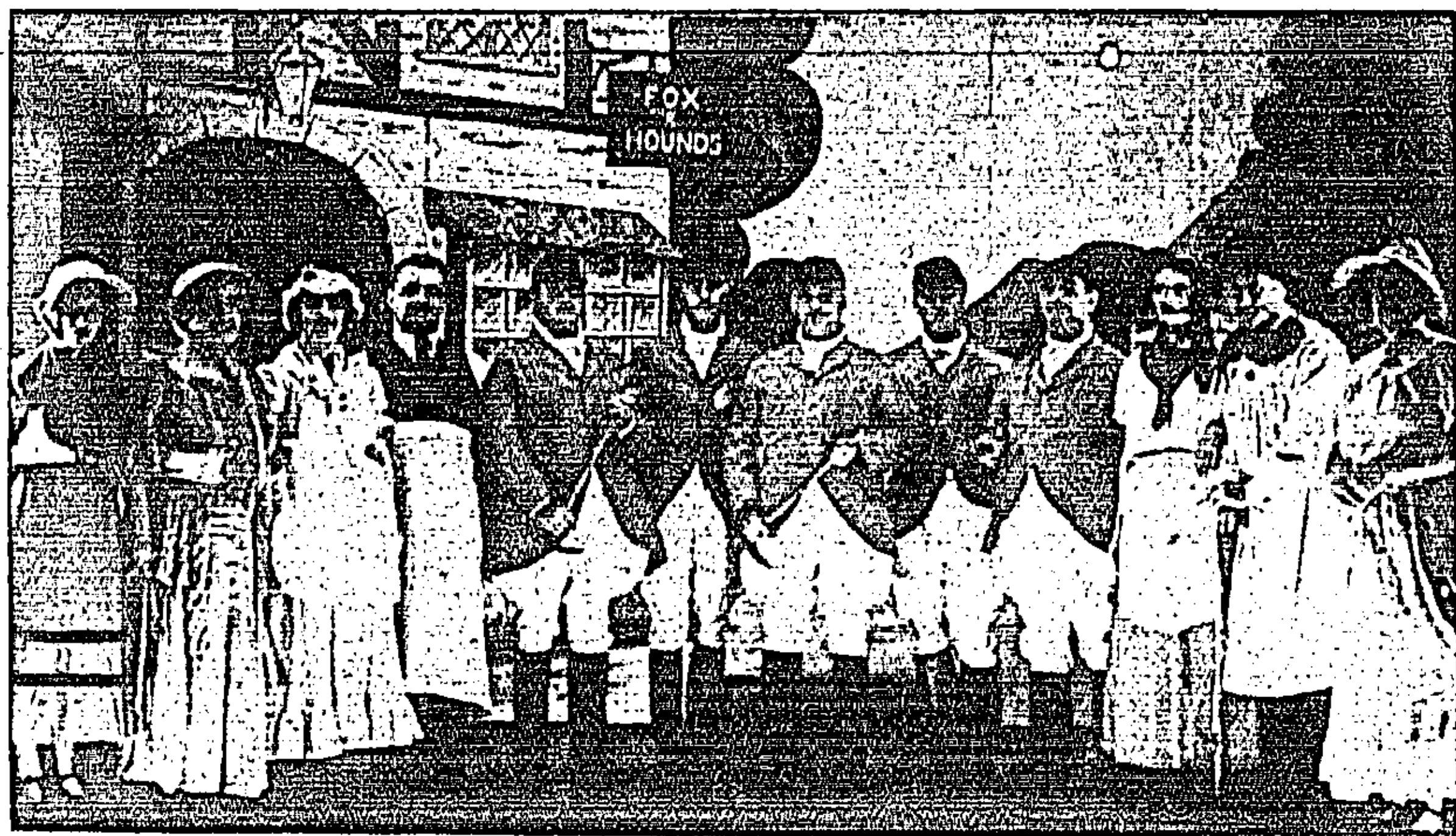
ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PLAY presented by St. Andrew's Club recently was "The Kiss", cast of which is shown above. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



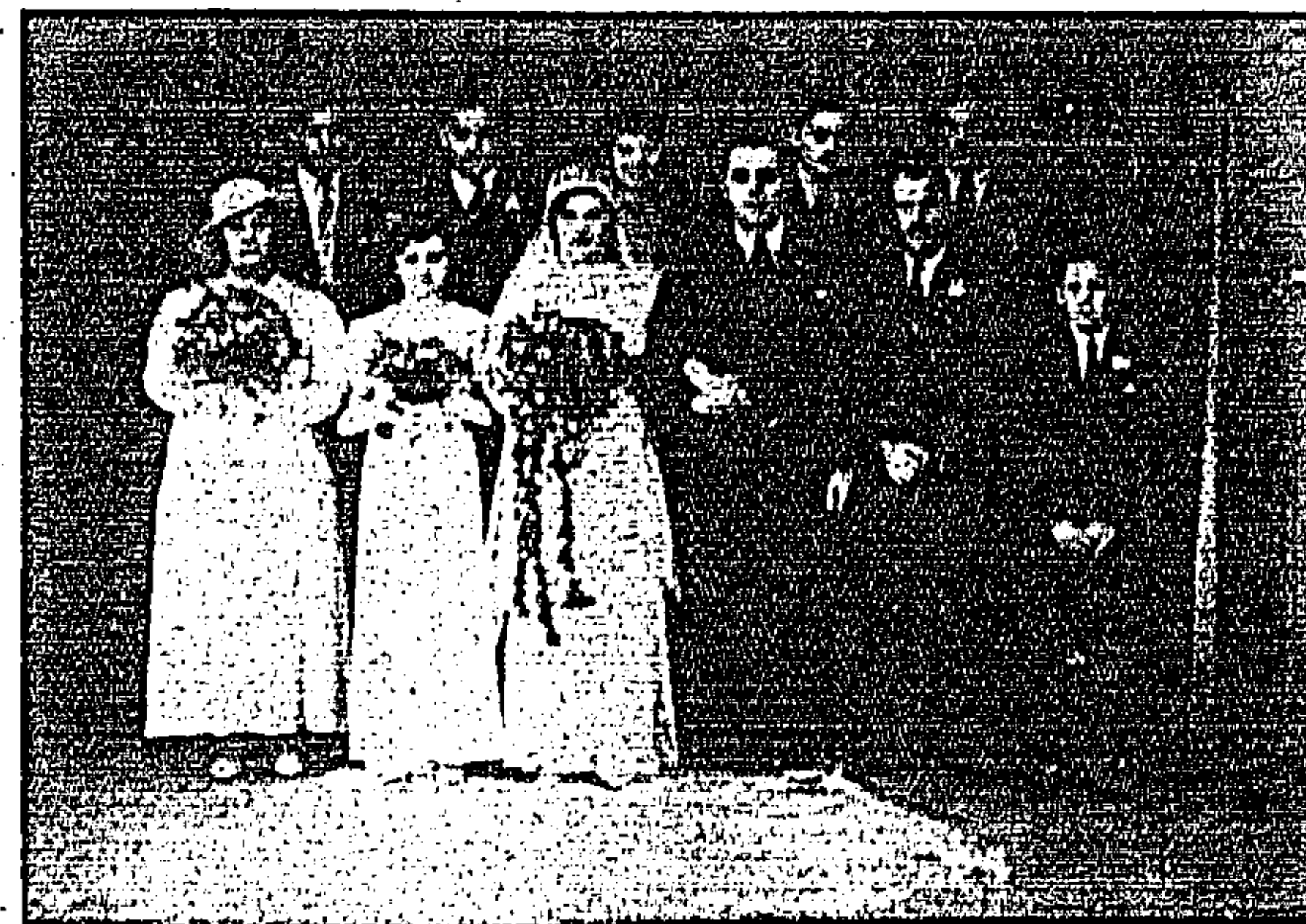
TWO DEMURE YOUNGSTERS, the Tuxman sisters, who will participate in the O'Keefe School of Dancing display which will be held shortly. (Photo: King's Studio.)



EXQUISITE CHINESE GOWNS contrasting with the sombre black of men's occidental fashions, were in evidence at the wedding recently of Mr. S. K. Sung, of China Underwriters Ltd. to Miss S. Y. Lee, daughter of Dr. Lee Ying-yau. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



ST. ANDREW'S CLUB members who formed the cast of "In The Pink", a delightful one act-play presented by the Club recently. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



WEDDING GROUP at the marriage, held at the Registry office recently, of Mr. Ernest Goddard and Miss Annie Frances Lam. (Photo: Hollywood Studio).

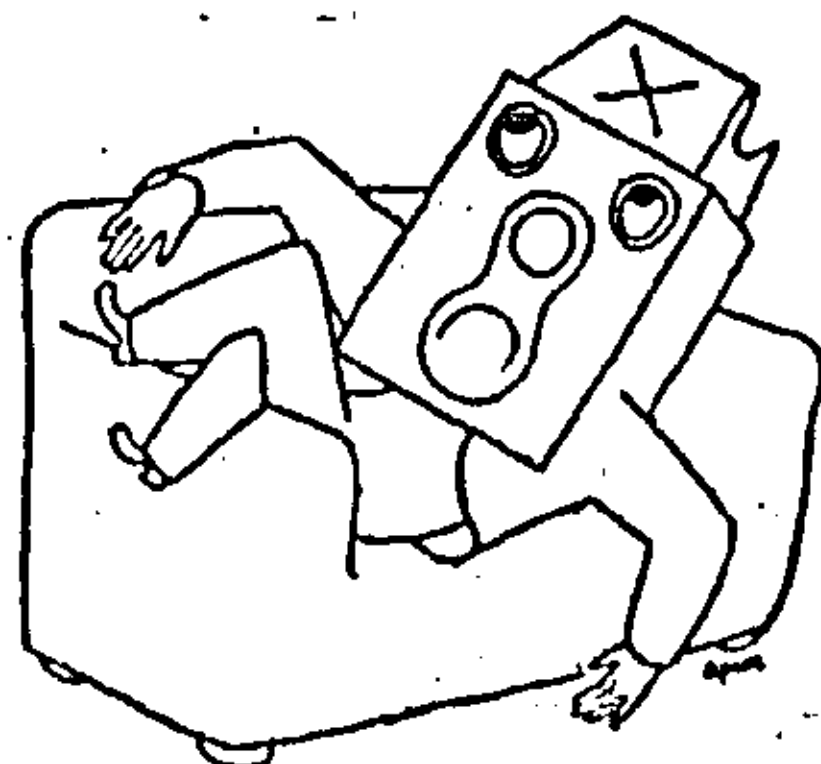


MEN OF THE SEAFORTH'S HIGHLANDERS at a recent Scottish Church Parade at the Union Church, Hongkong. These men will leave Hongkong next month for Shanghai. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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GROUP PHOTOGRAPH taken after the wedding this week of Mr. A. H. F. Rowe, of the Royal Air Force, and Miss Laura Calman. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



A DELIGHTFUL PICTURE taken at the wedding this week of Mr. A. H. F. Rowe, of the Royal Air Force, and Miss Laura Calman. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

FROM the WOMAN'S PAGE

Letter to The Girl I Didn't Marry

from PETER KENT

My dear Pam,

I like you, you know. I like the way you do your hair. I like the way you dress. I love the way you say "darling."

I think you say "darling" better than any girl I know.

But I'd never think of marrying you, although I have often imagined myself to be in love with you. Anyway, I see now that there is somebody who loves you more than I do, and I feel that I wouldn't stand much of a chance.

Opposition

OH, yes, I know all about my rival! I wouldn't go so far as to say that I've been aware of opposition all along.

But I see now that it's a case of two people being in love with the same girl. And I've come to the conclusion that it is better for all concerned that I should stand down.

Don't think I'm trying to be heroic. I am not dropping out in order to let the better man go in and win. It's just that I don't want to stand in the way of your happiness. I don't think you really love me.

The Truth

I AM sorry that I didn't find out the truth sooner. I cannot understand why you encouraged me so much—unless it was because you don't realise the position yourself. I can hardly believe that.

Do you know, when you first called me "darling" it sent quite a thrill right through me? You see, I wasn't used to being called "darling," and I was simple enough to think that the word had some significance. Wasn't it silly of me?

As a matter of fact, I still do think that the word "darling" is primarily intended to be used as a term of endearment—but not when you say it. When I heard you talking on the 'phone to a man you professed to dislike intensely, and addressing him as "darling" throughout, I realised that the word meant nothing to you at all.

You probably call everybody "darling" because some worthless man (I dare say it was I) once told you that you said it rather nicely. You do. That's the trouble.

I Forgave

WHEN you used to tell me that you'd be ready by 7.30 and then turn up at 8.15, I was always prepared to forgive you. Your excuse that you had only been trying to look especially nice for my benefit may not have been very original but it was usually good enough for me.

It never occurred to me then that there was a rival in the field who more often than not, was responsible for making you late. Now don't get excited and say, "What on earth is the man talking about? Wait until you've finished reading this."

Although you were continually asking me how I liked you to do your hair, what colour I thought suited you best, whether or not I like bright nail-polish on your nails, you never once acted on my advice. No, that I should ever expect a woman to take much notice of my opinion on such matters.

Looked Hurt

BUT really, you know, you were so persistent in your efforts to find out just what I thought of you. You were always asking me such questions as "Do you think I should wear green, darling?" or "Do you think my new shade of lipstick suits me?"—darling! (sorry, I almost forgot). And if I happened to say no to both questions, you'd immediately look rather hurt and say you tried so hard to please me! Then, of course, I would have to say that



My rival persuaded you to wear the sort of hats I could not stand at any price.

you'd look lovely in anything in order to make you smile again.

For My Sake

BUT I am afraid you seldom tried very hard to please me. Naturally I understand now that you couldn't please both of us at once when we so obviously had entirely different tastes. You might, however, have compromised sometimes just for my sake. Did you ever think of doing that?

If I honestly thought I could get you away from this lover of yours I'd try to do it. Because, frankly, I believe that sooner or later you are going to be let down very badly. And I don't like seeing good material being wasted.

I know that when you are alone—absolutely alone, I mean—you are

quite a different sort of person. I know that by the letter you once wrote me when I went away for a week-end. It was really an awfully nice letter and I think you must have been very much in love with me then.

Can't Stand It

BUT, as soon as I returned, the first thing you said was: "And, of course, it was one of those hats which I had already told you several times I couldn't stand at any price. You never thought of asking me what sort of time I had had. You didn't, in fact, seem particularly pleased to see me, although in your letter you had said that you could scarcely wait until I returned."

Good-bye

I KNOW now why you weren't so pleased to see me on that occasion. My rival must have got back just ahead of me and poisoned your mind.

Yes, I mean poisoned your mind. And I'd tell him so to his face if he were a man.

But, my dear Pam, this rival of mine is not a man. It's a silly young girl who is desperately in love with herself.

No, I am afraid I could never marry you. I just couldn't compete with you for your own affections. Good-bye, Pam—darling!

DUCHESS NO. THREE

By
Cyril F. J. Hankinson
Editor of "Dobrett"

WHILE it is somewhat of an exaggeration to suggest that the whole Table of Social Precedence was upset by the Abolition of King Edward VIII, the publication of various works of reference which make their annual appearance about this time of the year will reveal that in the Royal Family many important changes have taken place.

There can be seen clearly in the appended lists of the Order of Precedence in the two reigns, from which it will be noted that the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret as daughters instead of nieces of the Sovereign move up several places in the scale, while the Duke of Windsor drops to the position of the youngest brother of the Sovereign.

The Tables of Precedence follow certain well definite rules, and those acquainted with the principles governing them have little difficulty in working out the order in which to place anyone who falls within their scope.

It should be noted, however, that while in the main precedence is accorded by birth, marriage, or the conferment of an honour, the holders of certain offices were allotted special positions.

For instance after the Sovereign's "great-uncles," follow the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor, the Archbishop of York, and the Prime Minister.

Precedence in the Royal Family is largely governed by nearness in relationship to the Sovereign, but does not always follow the Order of Succession to the Throne.

A Lady's Rank

AFTER the Royal Family, excluding the holders of certain high offices as mentioned above, follow the Dukes in the order of the creation of their Dukedoms.

The age of the Duke or the number of years which he has held his title has no bearing on his precedence.

The sons and daughters of persons of title as far down in the scale as Knights Bachelor are all granted positions in the Tables of Precedence, the eldest sons being usually several degrees higher than their younger brothers.

The eldest son of a Knight Bachelor, for instance, ranks before a

Precedence in the two Reigns.
Edward VIII. Queen Mary.
Duke of York. Princess Royal.
Duke of Gloucester. Duchess of York.
Duke of Kent. Duchess of Gloucester.
Prince Edward of Kent. Princess Elizabeth.
Princess Margaret.

George VI. The Queen.
Duke of Gloucester. Queen Mary.
Duke of Kent. Princess Elizabeth.
Duke of Windsor. Princess Margaret.
Prince Edward of Kent. Duchess of Gloucester.
Duchess of Windsor.

*As Aunt of the King, the Queen of Norway would have followed the Duchess of Kent, but for the fact that she married a reigning Sovereign.

Member of the Victorian Order (5th class), while his younger brother is four places lower, following the younger son of a Baronet.

The eldest daughters of Peers are not distinguished from their younger sisters, and actually all daughters are allotted a position in the Table for Ladies of a relatively high degree than their younger brothers.

The term Lady (prefixed to the Christian name) too is applied to the daughters of Earls as well as those of Dukes and Marquesses, whereas the younger sons of Earls are styled Hon. in the same way as the sons of Viscounts and Barons.

As a general rule a Lady does not lose the rank into which she was born on marriage; for if her husband is of lower degree than herself she retains her former style and precedence.

There is, however, one notable exception to this, in that the wives of Peers, unless they themselves are Peers in their own right of a higher degree, take the rank of their husband. The daughter of a Peer marrying a Peer of two degrees lower than her father will lose rank.

During the past year a very large number of honours has been bestowed, including the appointment of the Queen as a Lady of the Order of the Garter and as the first Lady of the Order of the Thistle, and the admission of many women to the Royal Victorian Order, which was only last year extended to permit of their inclusion.

A comparison of the number of honours granted during the Coronation years of King Edward VII, King George V., and King George VI. is given in the following table:

	1902	1911	1937
Peers	7	13	17
Baronets	23	35	14
Knights	233	351	272

The number of titled persons is growing, for during the past ten years 123 peerages have been created and only 68 have become extinct, and 123 new baronets are on the Roll in place of 100 which have become extinct.

Keep - fit calendar for March begins to-day...

It's always the

same, ask any one whether they take as much exercise as they should and, ten to one, they'll answer: "No." Ask them—ask yourself, for that matter—why not, and the answer won't come quite so pat. In the end they'll probably say it's laziness.

Really

it's not as bad as that. The demands made nowadays on any busy man's or woman's time don't leave enough over for playing games or joining gymnastic classes. That's where the *Telegraph* Keep-Fit Calendar comes in. It takes up no more than a minute or two, needs no apparatus and no mastering of such weighty phrases as body balance or muscle toning.

Rather

than having to fish under the bed for the book of words of some gymnastic system, you get your day's instructions—WITHOUT words, please note—delivered in your *Telegraph*. Then all you do is imitate the little man in the pictures.

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as the exercises look—and undoubtedly are—you'll find they make a great difference to your figure and your self-respect. All the exercises are natural movements based on the motions made by those able to ski, run, jump, chop wood and do many of the things that you, perhaps, living in a town, or you, maybe, too busy on the farm, cannot find time for.

Remember these seven points

- 1 Do exactly what you see in the picture for the day, wearing as few clothes as possible.
- 2 Keep your feet parallel and pointing exactly forwards all the time.
- 3 Breathe OUT vigorously through your mouth whenever BENDING and IN deeply through your nose whenever STRETCHING.
- 4 First do each exercise twice in slow-motion, then in normal time, first in one then the opposite direction.
- 5 Figures beside each picture indicate the number of times you should do the exercise: 12-14 X 1-7, for instance, means do the exercise at least twelve times, fourteen if you can, to both left and right.
- 6 When you see an arrow-pointed spring, do four springy post-movements as it indicates.
- 7 Always combine the seven exercises of the week's group, adding one new one each day.

CHESS—The Nerve- Destroying Monster

By
Patrick Murphy

THE Hastings Chess Congress, has added to the reputations of the Polish and Estonian masters, Reshevsky and Keres.

But, what is more important to us, it has revealed the magnificent talent of a young English Public School Mathematics master, Mr. C. H. Alexander, of Winchester, who has been close on the heels of these two throughout the tournament.

These congresses, which have grown up in this country in the last few years, have done wonders for British chess. Since their advent the number of chess players in England has increased rapidly and is now well over 1,500,000!

The accumulated learning of years is brought to bear on these tournament games.

Some famous players succumbed by the aid of phenomenal memories, in

which great combinations and their variations are crammed and stored over a period of 20 or 30 years. Others, with brilliantly original chess minds, adjust themselves to the position at hand and play out each game with fresh thought.

45 Minutes One Move

ON Monday of this week the English hoed throughout this tournament, Mr. Alexander, deliber-

ated for half an hour before making his eighth move.

His opponent, Reshevsky, took more than three-quarters of an hour to decide his eleventh move, with the result that later in the game both were so short of time that Reshevsky had to make ten moves in six minutes.

Reshevsky is one of those young men who prove chess to be anything but a game. It seems that a man is born with a chess mind just as he is born a musician. Reshevsky used to give exhibitions in public in Vienna when he was six and seven years old! He defeated Capablanca when he was 20, two years ago.

I know no player who is more delightful to watch than Sir George Thomas, the tall, white-haired ex-British champion, who for so long has borne the brunt of chess assaults from the great foreign masters.

He is an all-round sportsman, and I am sure the game is much more a game to him than to most other great players.

Chess is a game which you study and play at your leisure and do not treat too seriously, or it is a nerve-destroying monster which masters every moment of your life.

If ambition drives you to attempt to follow in the steps of Capablanca and Alekhine, then sell your home, settle your wife and family so that they can on you once a year, get yourself a dumb man-servant, and give up your entire life to the endless study of the game.

Sir George Thomas has through extra-ordinary talent, been able to remain an enchanting person and still be counted one of the really fine chess players of his time.

But in my experience the two dominating personalities which the game has produced have been Capablanca and Alekhine. Alekhine has given a vast amount of his time and fine talent to making himself the greatest player he is.

Capablanca treated chess more as a hobby. He was a diplomat, and actually could not, at times, get all the chess he would have liked. He is quick and decisive and does not like long ponderings over moves. Immediately he has made his move he will, as a rule, leave his table and go to watch someone else play or wander about the room. He will return and make his next move in the minimum of time.



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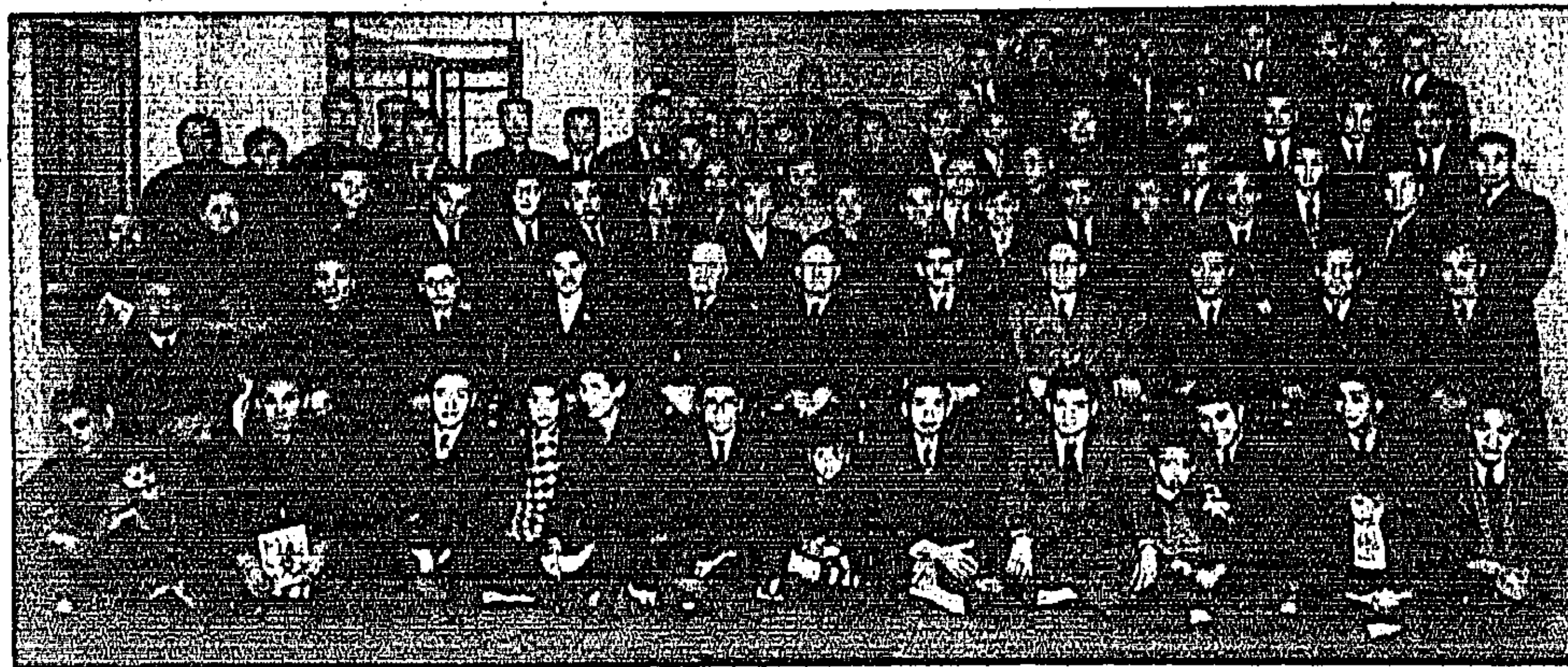
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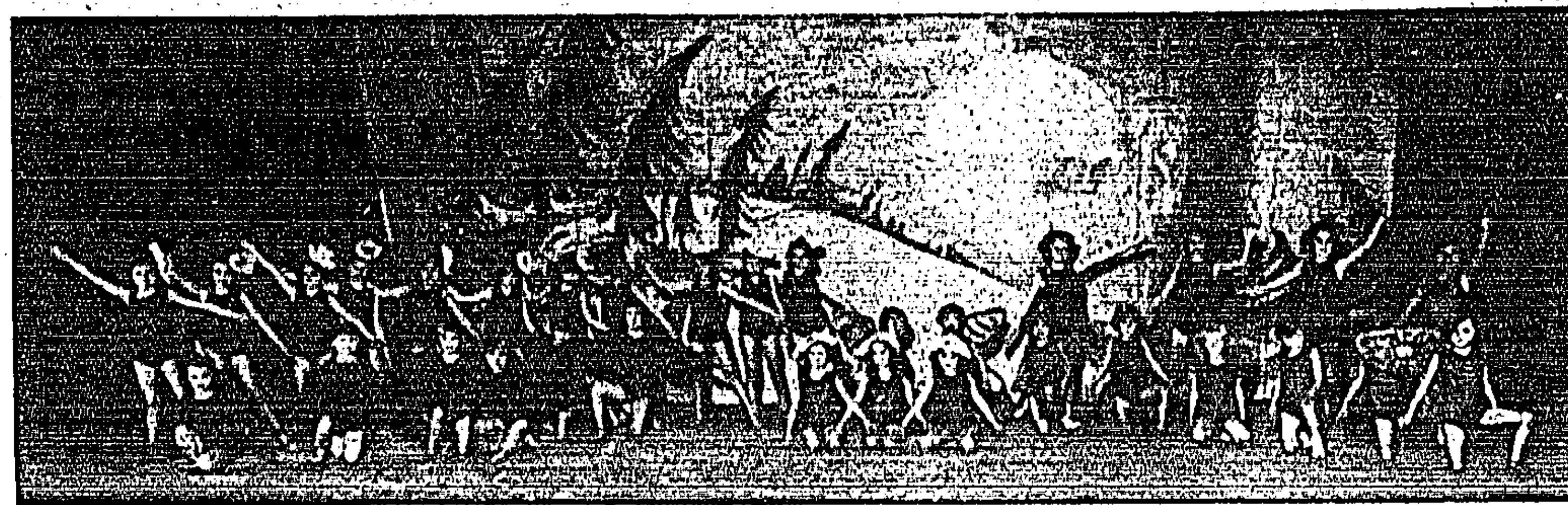
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GUARDS AGAINST NIGHT STARVATION



MEMBERS OF THE BIBLE INSTITUTE conducted by the South China Union Mission of the Seventh Day Adventists. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



THESE HONGKONG YOUNGSTERS will participate in one of the most ambitious ballets ever undertaken in Hongkong. The Ballet will be held at the King's Theatre shortly under the aegis of Mr. George Goncharoff.

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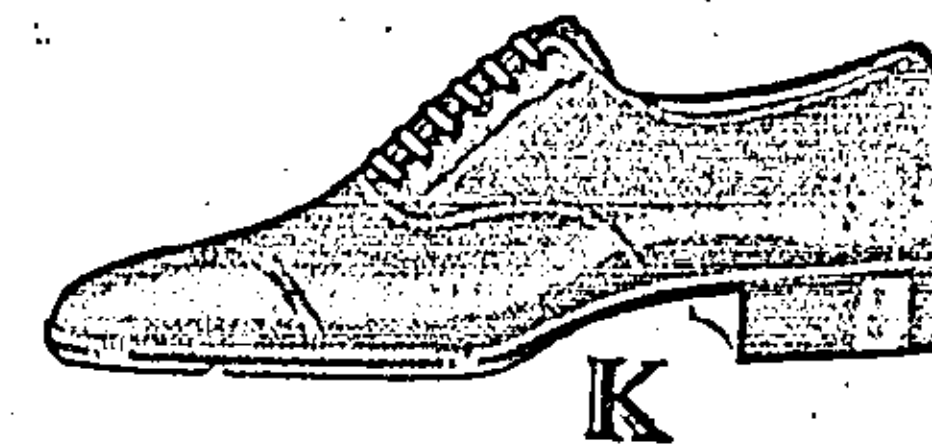
GROUP PHOTOGRAPH taken after the wedding at St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon, of Mr. Chow Yun-lam and Miss Catherine Yip. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).



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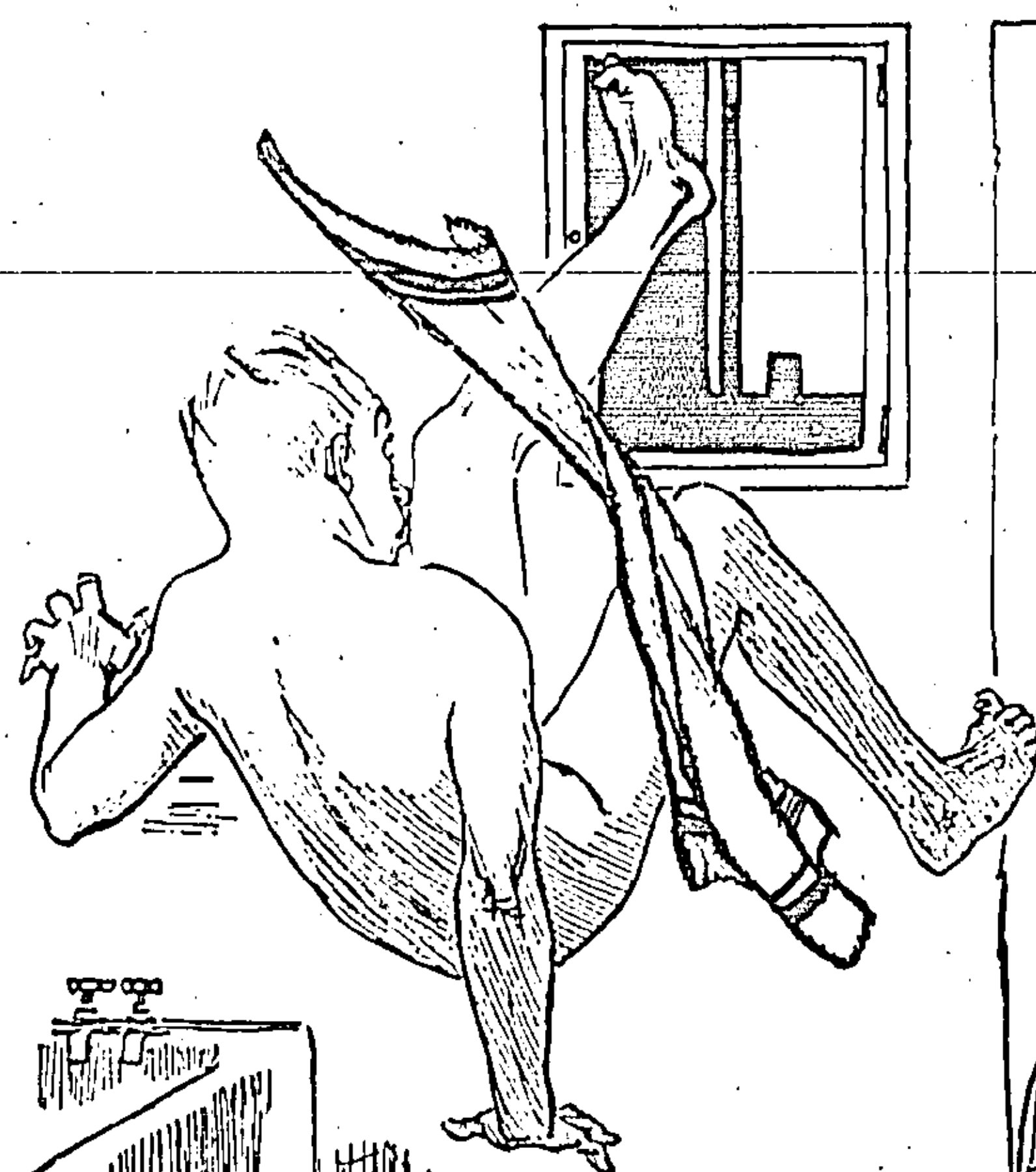
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How Accidents Happen

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

By J. NORMAN LYND



SOME PEOPLE CAN'T BE TRUSTED ALONE IN A BATH ROOM. THEY EITHER SLIP ON THE SOAP OR DUST THEIR THROATS IN SONG.



TRYING TO CATCH THE 8:15 IS THE CAUSE OF A LOT OF ACCIDENTS... SCALDED THROTTLES BEING ONE... OR CHOKING ON A PIECE OF TOAST, OR FALLING OVER THE SEALHAM ON THE WAY OUT.



"IT JUST SEEMED TO COME APART IN MY HANDS"

ONE WAY TO DICK KITCHEN WORK IS TO HAVE AN "ACCIDENT" WITH SOME IMPORTANT PIECE OF CHINA—SAY HER GREAT-GRANDMOTHERS TEA CUP... THAT LETS YOU OUT—FOR KEEPS.



IN THE HOME A LOT OF CASUALTIES ARE DUE TO AMATEURS USING TOOLS... HAMMERS, CHISELS, RAZORS, SCREWDRIVERS, OR ANYTHING THAT MIGHT OPEN A CAN OF BEANS

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"AND IF I THINK—YOU THINK—FOR ONE MINUTE—THAT'S ALL."

ACCIDENTS HAPPEN IN HEAVY TRAFFIC SOMETIMES BECAUSE A MAN ISN'T ALLOWED TO KEEP HIS MIND ON HIS DRIVING.



THE TWISTED NECK... CAUSED BY TRYING TO WATCH THE GOINGS ON OF THREE NEIGHBORS AT ONCE.

DARN IT. SOME OF THEM NEVER SEEM TO LEARN HOW TO KEEP THEIR BALANCE ON WAXED FLOORS—NO MATTER HOW MANY SIGNS YOU PUT UP SAYING "CAUTION" OR "DANGEROUS CORNER—GO SLOWLY."

Raiders Spent Three Hours Over Formosa

CHINESE AIR FORCE NOW STRONG ENOUGH TO TAKE OFFENSIVE

Nanchang Watches Combats As Three Enemy Raiders Plunge to Earth Aflame

Hankow, Feb. 26.

It is definitely felt that Chinese aerial strength is now sufficient not only effectively to defend, but also to attack. Further information of Formosa raids indicated that the Chinese bombers spent almost three hours over the island and destroyed planes and hangars at Matsuyama and a large power station at Shinjiku.

Chinese and foreign pilots who participated in the raid, stated there was almost a total absence of anti-aircraft fire, belying the stories that the Formosa fortifications were keeping pace with those in Hongkong.

The latest reports from Nanchang state that the wrecks of three Japanese planes which were shot down yesterday have been located. Officials and the populace are scouring the countryside for the others.

The latest victory of the Chinese air force for which Russian aviators, based by Nanchang, were probably mostly responsible, has been greeted with wild enthusiasm in Hankow. All boardings are covered with posters and slogans of "Long Live Our Glorious Air Force."—United Press.

Japanese Version

Shanghai, Feb. 26. A Japanese communiqué states that 50 Japanese planes yesterday shot down 30 Russian and American machines at Nanchang. Chinese reports state Russian pilots shot down eight of the raiders and did not mention Chinese losses. However, the Chinese claimed a victory.—United Press.

Intensified Air War

Shanghai, Feb. 26. While the forces on the ground are locked on several battle fronts, both the Chinese and Japanese have intensified reports from the skies. Outstanding developments yesterday were large-scale reprisals for the Chinese air raid on Formosa on February 23. According to Chinese reports, 50 Japanese planes, including 30 bombers, yesterday morning raided Nanchang, capital of Kuang-chow, and stated that Chinese planes engaged the raiders, bringing down eight machines, three of which have already been located, while the remaining five fell some distance from Nanchang.

Thousands of people watched the breath-taking dog-fights and saw with fascinated horror, mingled with jubilation, three Japanese planes crash to the ground. Interesting sidelights of yesterday's air battles came from Hankow, where it is stated, the fights marked the first active appearance of the British Gladiator "Gladiator" planes. Chinese aviation authorities say the British machines performed very satisfactorily, and the Japanese losses doubtless would have been higher if the Chinese pilots had had longer training and the machine-guns on the planes did not require adjustment.

It is reported that a Chinese plane was sighted flying high over Shanghai early yesterday evening in the direction of Woosung, while two Chinese machines are stated to have been seen going the same way yesterday morning.

Renewed raids on Japanese occupied areas around Shanghai, and possibly a renewed attempt to sink the Japanese flagship, Izumo, which at one time was a much coveted target, are indicated.—Reuter.

30 Planes In Raid On Formosa

Hankow, Feb. 26. Altogether 30 Chinese planes, all bombers, participated in the Formosa raid on Wednesday. It was revealed by a Government spokesman this morning that the pilots were of Soviet manufacture. They were of the new type, very fast, and capable of long flights.

The first objective was the Matsuyama military airfield in Taihoku, where at least 40 machines on the ground, a number of hangars and huge columns of smoke were seen to rise from the ground by the pilots, who flew on to Shinjiku and bombed the power plant situated outside the city. The Chinese pilots reported that vast clouds of smoke were still visible there and a half hour after the bombing.

The defenders must have been surprised as no Japanese planes took the air and no anti-aircraft guns went into action.—Reuter.

Town Bombed Out Of Existence
Tainyang, Anhwei, Feb. 26. Hengshanchiao, a rural town north-

east of Fanchang, was practically bombed out of existence yesterday by Japanese planes. The Japanese planes unloaded tons of explosives, which blasted numerous houses to ruins. Several huge fires raged in the town. The exact number of casualties and extent of damage cannot be ascertained.—Central News.

ANTICIPATED H.K. DEFICIT TURNS TO SURPLUS

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an increase of no less than \$1,195,510. It is interesting to note that this increase in post office revenue exceeds the entire Colony surplus.

Revenue from the Kowloon Canton Railway, despite heavy anticipated loss of business through the closure of steam train gambling establishments, proved exceedingly buoyant. The 1936 revenue of \$1,245,468, exceeded by \$22,471, despite the fact that revenue of only \$1,100,150 was estimated at the beginning of the year.

Land and Houses increased from \$1,245,469 to \$1,725,846, and Miscellaneous Receipts increased from \$977,877 to \$1,103,719.

LAND SALES JUMP

Total revenue, exclusive of Land Sales, was \$43,067,994, against \$20,773,753 in 1936. For the first time in many years Land Sales (Premium on New Leases) showed an increase, the revenue of \$520,463 representing a 98 per cent. increase over 1936. Revenue from this source was expected to yield only \$200,000.

In view of the heavy increase in expenditure, it is fortunate for the Colony that revenue proved so buoyant.

Expenditure of \$29,513,220 in 1936 was exceeded last year by \$2,587,002, principal increases being in Military Contributions, Public Works (Recurrent), the Medical Department, and the Post Office.

Military Contributions touched a new all-time record of \$5,506,415, to which must be added \$153,373 for the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (an increase of \$15,005 over 1936) and \$30,220 for the Naval Volunteer Force (an increase of \$5,921 over 1936).

Pensions also reached a new record, totalling \$2,550,000 as compared with \$2,287,745 in 1936.

POLICE AND PRISON COST

Maintenance of law and order other than by the military and navy called for a record expenditure of \$3,109,690 for the Police, representing an increase of \$279,060 over 1936, and \$1,021,593 for the Prisons Department, an increase of \$136,742 over 1936.

The cost of education also mounted, by \$172,062, the total expenditure being \$2,034,562, against an estimated expenditure of \$2,130,140.

Expenditure on new public works was severely slashed in order to provide the Colony's surplus. As originally estimated of \$3,052,890 in 1936, only \$1,510,208 was expended under this heading last year.

The buoyancy of Hongkong's finances has brought the Excess of Assets over Liabilities to \$14,002,278. The total assets are \$23,004,951, against which there are liabilities amounting to \$9,002,673, and temporary liability of approximately eleven million dollars which has been advanced for new public works pending reimbursement from the balance of the 3½ per cent. Dollar Loan which remains to be floated.

MR. EDEN UTTERS WARNING

History May Prove Government Wrong

London, Feb. 25.

Speaking at Leamington, Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, explained his reasons for resigning and emphatically denied the suggestion that it was due to some extent to ill-health. He said his decision had been taken because of the conviction that no other course was open to him. He was more than ever convinced that the decision was a right one.

The course the Government had chosen indicated the sincerity of its desire to reach an agreement, but it was not necessarily a wise judgment of international affairs. He could not help feeling that it was perfectly possible to stand firm and obtain the same results, if they were obtained, without the risks attending the present course.

He was deeply anxious as to whether it would be an agreement on a solid basis, or an agreement if they could get it, regardless of the basis.

The Government's decision had been made, and Parliament had endorsed it. The Government must go ahead and he sincerely wished it success. He stood by every word he had said in the House of Commons. He definitely formed the opinion last week-end that the meaning of certain communications he received from a foreign Government was "now or never." His view was not changed, but he was prepared to press his colleagues on this important issue of interpretation, for he did not believe it to be in national interests. He appreciated the impossibility of publishing relevant documents at present, and he was content to await the verdict of history.—Reuter Special.

HALIFAX GOES TO FOREIGN OFFICE

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Informal talks over Anglo-German relations.—Reuter Bulletin.

Will Soviet Accept British Formula?

London, Feb. 25. Mr. Ivan Malsky, Russian Ambassador to Britain, saw Lord Plymouth, Chairman of the Non-Intervention Committee yesterday noon about the British formula for the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain, and the point at which belligerent rights should be accorded both sides. It is believed that M. Malsky is now awaiting instructions from Moscow before defining the Soviet attitude.—Reuter Bulletin.

Egypt Won't Permit Interference

Cairo, Feb. 25. Egypt will not tolerate interference from a foreign power for her defence, declared Ahmed Maher, leader of the dissident Wafists, referring to reports that Italy was seeking to participate in the defence of the Suez Canal.

Ahmed Maher, who was making an election speech, added that the election-Egyptian Treaty stipulated that Egypt alone was responsible for the defence of the Suez Canal, and British forces were at present assisting Egypt in the defence of the Canal until the reorganisation of the Egyptian army was completed.—Reuter.

CHINESE LAUNCH NEW DRIVE ON CHUNGYI; CROSS YELLOW RIVER

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bullets and hurled hand grenades at them. Several of them were destroyed and a large quantity of military supplies seized. Thirteen Japanese guards were killed. The Japanese troops at Linhsien, Wu An, and Shiehien in northern Honan, on the left flank of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, have been recently reinforced, presumably in preparation for drive westward into Shansi. Troop movements between these points have been extremely heavy during the last few days.—Central News.

MURDER HEARING ON MARCH 2

Hearing in the murder charge against two Indian watchmen accused of killing another watchman at Green Island on February 17 was fixed for 2.30 p.m. on March 2 when they appeared on remand before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The accused men are Sher Aman, 23, Special Guard 3, and Fatch Khan, 23, Special Guard 10. The dead man was named Hayat Mohamed.

FASTER TRAVEL PROMISED

Imperial Airways' New Programme

London, Feb. 25.

The feature of the Imperial Airways summer programme, so far as speed and comfort of flying are concerned, will be the bringing into service of the new fast luxury planes. In the new air liners, weighing when fully-loaded approximately 20 tons, accommodation will be provided in sumptuously equipped saloons for 40 passengers, while the new four-motored express aircraft, which are to operate on the Paris route, will have the distinction of being the fastest passenger planes of their type so far produced.

The growing scope of European air travel will be illustrated strikingly this summer by distances passengers will be able to travel during the course of a single day's flying. Leaving Croydon in the morning, for example, and flying northward, passengers will alight the same evening at such a distant point as Oslo. By another route flying from London and changing half way Rome will be reached the same evening. Venice will also be within a day's flying of London.—British Wireless.

Farmers Riot, Kill Officials

Hankow, Feb. 26.

A riot staged by a group of farmers at an agricultural experimental station at Chinkow, southwest of Wuchang, on February 23 resulted in five persons killed and 36 injured and several buildings destroyed.

The farmers, who bitterly oppose the establishment of the station, set fire to its buildings and attacked its staff. Chen Chung-hsien, and Yang Ching-chen director and vice-director of the station respectively, were killed in the fire. Three staff members were beaten to death by the rioters, whilst 36 others were injured. The riot was suppressed only upon the arrival of troops. Several ring-leaders were arrested and escorted to the Wuchang magistracy for questioning.—Central News.

LOYALISTS REVOLT

REFUSE TO GO TO TERUEL

Paris, Feb. 25.

It is reported from Perpignan that part of the Loyalist garrison revolted at Barcelona on the grounds that it was a useless sacrifice to go to Teruel. A report from St. Jean De Luz states: "The town garrison commander is saying that agitation has been renewed throughout Catalonia, chiefly at Figueras, where it is reported, 30 have been killed and wounded in riots."—United Press.

FIRE SPREADS RAPIDLY

Fire broke out in the first floor of No. 527 Canton Road, yesterday, and spread rapidly to the second and third floors. Firemen controlled it after a stiff fight. Damage cannot yet be estimated. It is thought that the fire commenced through a lighted oil lamp, which had been hanging on a wooden partition, spilling. The first floor was occupied by Chau Lin, a woman, and the whole premises is insured by the Hongkong Land Investment Company.

COUNTERFEITING CHARGES

Charges concerning the counterfeiting of five cent mixed metal pieces were preferred against four men when they appeared before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Giving their names as Lo Wan, 28, knitter, Li Yuen-yau, 26, Lo Shek-on, 22, and Chung Loi, 30, all spinners, they were charged with (a) making three counterfeit five cent pieces at Po Kong Village, Kowloon City, on or about February 24 and (b) being in possession of nine moulds. The third man was also charged with the possession of the three counterfeiters. At the request of Detective Sergeant D. G. MacPherson all defendants were remanded for three days.

TREASURY BILLS TENDERS

London, Feb. 25.

The total amount applied for in tenders for £40,000,000 Treasury Bills was £22,030,000. The average rate per cent. for bills at three months was 10/1.39d as against 10/1.04d a week ago.—British Wireless.

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Rugby Football: Scotland v. Ireland

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 kc/s. 952 m.c/s. per second. 6.00-7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00 Schumann—Trio in D Minor, Op. 63. Played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals. 7.32 Closing Local Stock Quotations. 7.33 Spanish Music. If I could forget your eyes (Sandoval-Albeniz).... Benjamin Gigli (Sandoval).... Spanish Dance No. 3 (Granados).... Triana (Albeniz).... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens; Granada (Albeniz and Cuenca); Danza 5 (Granados and Munoz Lorente).... Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano); Danza Española No. 8 (Granados).... Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos. 8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.03 Songs by Grace Fields. One Of The Little Orphans Of The Storm (film "Queen of Hearts"); Queen of Hearts (from the film); Haven't Been The Same Girl Since (Haver and Haines). 8.13 Variety. Cinema Organ—Melody in F (Rubinstein); Berceuse De Jocelyn (Godard).... Edward O'Herry; Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back.... Hildegard; Guitar—Dipsomania (Len Filla); Mood Ruby (Len Filla).... Len Filla; Comedian—George Formby Medley.... George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Organ—With Sword and Lance—March (Starkie); Blaise Away—March (Holzmann).... Reginald Dixon. 8.45 Local Sport Results. 8.50 London Relay—London Local. 9.00 London Relay—The New Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra. Conductor, William Pethers from the New Hippodrome Theatre, Coventry. The Savoy American Medley (Dobroy Somers); Katinka—Selection (Frml, arr. Kiefer); After the Storm (arr. Lange); Forsaken (Grothe, arr. Weininger); The Doll Medley (arr. Michelson); Rustle of Spring (Sinding). 9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel. (a)—(d) Tangles. 10.10 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.15 (a) Angel (b) Foggy Day; (c) Things are looking up (d) Nice work if you can get it. 10.30 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.35 (a) Scraping the toast (b) You're a Sweetheart; (c) My old fashioned friend (d) Get a new pair of shoes. 10.50 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W. 10.55 London Relay—Scotland v. Ireland. A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match by H. T. Wakeham from Murrayfield, Edinburgh. (By courtesy of the Scottish Rugby Union). 12.30 Close Down.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

10.00-11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church. 11.00-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Paul's Church (Chinese). 12.15 Mendelssohn's Compositions. Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64.... Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; O Woodlands Far.... Richard Tauber (Tenor); A May Breeze.... Fritz Kreisler (Violin). Piano accompaniment by M. A. Roemer (from "Sonata and Strangers".... Malcolm McEachern (Bass).... Without Words (P. Major); Hunting Song.... Benno Moisewitsch (Piano). 1.00 Time and Weather. 1.03 New Light Symphony Orchestra. Zampa—Overture (Herauld); Serenade—Mauregato, Op. 10, No. 2 (Herauld); Intermzzo (Coltridige-Taror); Prelude (Haydn Wood); "Princess Ida"—Selection (Sullivan). 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act I. Sung by M. Sheridan (Sop.), I. Mannering (Mezzo-Sop.), Cecil (Ten.), Palal (Ten.), Weinberg (Bar.), Gelli (Bass), Masini (Bass) with Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus, Milan, conducted by Carlo Sabajno. 2.00 Close Down. 2.00-7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00 Muriel Brunskill (Contralto) and Dennis Noble (Baritone). Silent Worship from "Polemey"—Handel—arr. Somervell; 1 Bless The Dawn That Brought Me You (Gianville and Hyndin Wood); Tossing By (Herrick and Purcell); The Gentin Maiden (Boulton, Somervell).... Dennis Noble; Songs of the Hebrides—In Hebride Seas (Kennedy-Febrer); Kishmu's Galley (Kennedy-Febrer); The Banks Of Allan Water (Old Scottish Ballad).... Muriel Brunskill. 7.27 Debussy—Pelle Asue. Played by the Symphony Orchestra conducted by Piero Coppola. 7.40 Radio—A Debussy Programme by A. T. Lay (Piano). 1. The Children's Corner—Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum; 2. Trayeres (from The Preludes); 3. L'Enfant Prodigue—Prelude; 4. Icare Arabesque; 5. Ballade.



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SHARP DECLINE IN SMALLPOX

Nineteen cases of small-pox were notified to the health authorities yesterday. This is the lowest daily figure since February 7, and thus bears out the prediction of the Director of Medical Services, Dr. D. J. Valentine, that the epidemic is on the wane. The cases reported yesterday bring the total since January to 802. Fourteen of the cases were reported from the residential area of Victoria, four from Kowloon and one from Shaukiwan. In addition to small-pox, three cases of meningitis (two in Kowloon and one in Shaukiwan), two cases of dysentery (one each in Victoria and Kowloon) and two cases of measles were reported yesterday.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Chakung, Aisan, President Grant, Chenglu, Tshian, Pluto, Pingwo, Hakezaki Maru, Norviken, Victoria, and Empress of Russia.

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SOMETIMES SHOT

Vienna.

Viennese doctors, specialists in nerve strain, have for some time been flying to Moscow on a series of urgent calls. One will visit the Kremlin next month.

Every time they fly tongues wag in rumour-ridden Russia, "Stalin is dying."

Professor Eppinger and Professor Noorden are the two doctors who most frequently receive the summons to the Kremlin. I was told the real reason for their visits, says a correspondent of the *Sunday Express*. This is the story:—

Stalin himself is the healthiest man in the Soviet Union. But the responsible officials around him are exhausted, sick men.

People's Commissars, members of the Politbureau or Central Executive Committee work from sixteen to eighteen hours a day. For them no Sunday off, no holiday. Failure to keep up with their work means an accusation of sabotage. That means execution.

Whenever Stalin, happy and healthy in his fine forest retreat, hears that his collaborators are approaching the end of their physical resources he rings up Vienna.

REST IMPOSSIBLE

The doctors arrive. They are sent to a heavily-guarded sanatorium for sick Soviet officials twenty miles from Moscow.

The doctors prescribe a rest cure. That, the harassed officials retort, is impossible.

Now it becomes the doctors' turn to overwork. Sometimes they spend a month, working a sixteen-hour day, trying to pull the patients round.

CAR-LOADS OF SICK SOVIET LEADERS ARRIVE ALL DAY, BEGINNING IN THE EARLY MORNING.

Then comes the most ironical aspect of the invalids' fate. FREQUENTLY THE SUFFERERS ARE SHOT.

Worn out in mind and body, unable, even after expert treatment, to renew the struggle for efficiency, they become useless clogs on the machine. Stalin signs their death warrant.

Stalin's precautions to safeguard his own health are elaborate. Come what may, he is in bed by 11 p.m. He insists on eight hours' sleep, his meals are light. He smokes little, takes long walks.

The doctors are well paid. Costly presents of furs, gold, diamonds reach them from Stalin.

But the dictator never sees them. He sends a kindly message thanking them for their services. This is the usual formula:—

"Comrade Stalin bids you farewell. He regrets he was not able to receive you. He does not want to give reason for any rumours which would unavoidably originate were any foreign correspondent informed about the visit."

The Man Who Must Not

Move His Head

SECOND-LIEUT. R. M. Lloyd, of the 4th/8th Punjabis—the man who must not move his head—arrived at Southampton recently from Karachi.

He was wounded in the back of his head six months ago on the North-West Frontier, and the slightest head movement would be dangerous.

He now lies in the Military Hospital, Millbank, where an operation may be performed.

Teachers Would Ban "Story" Pictures

PICTURES which "everybody knows," like "The Boyhood of Raleigh" and "Dante's Dream," may soon disappear from our schools.

Feeling is growing among teachers that "story" paintings of this type are educationally out of date and artistically unsound.

Teachers from 13 counties met in London last month to discuss a scheme by which the best in painting during the past 1,000 years, or the cream of the world's great galleries, can be brought into the classroom.

Behind the plan is the New Society of Art Teachers, founded recently by teachers at five important schools—Halebury, St. Paul's, Whitgift, Charterhouse and Langford Grove. Their aims are supported by the Courtauld Institute of Art.

A complete change in the teaching of art is essential, it is felt, if the taste of boys and girls is to be

saved from corruption. The scheme has been in experimental operation for two years, and has spread from five to 100 schools. It provides that over a period of five years children will have had before them 150 great works of art, a set of ten being changed each mid-term. The reproductions were chosen by Mr. Anthony Bertram, art lecturer, and bought chiefly abroad.

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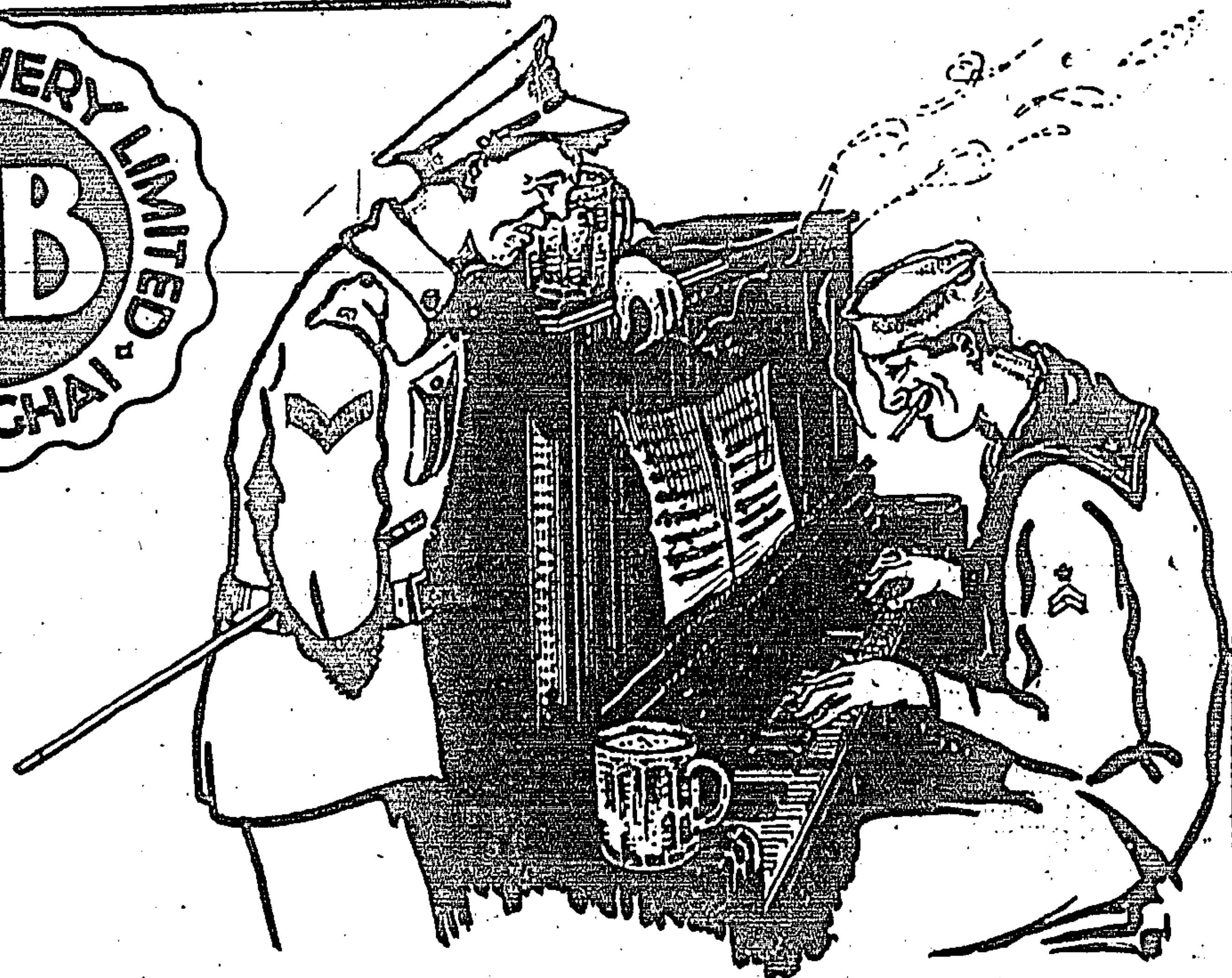
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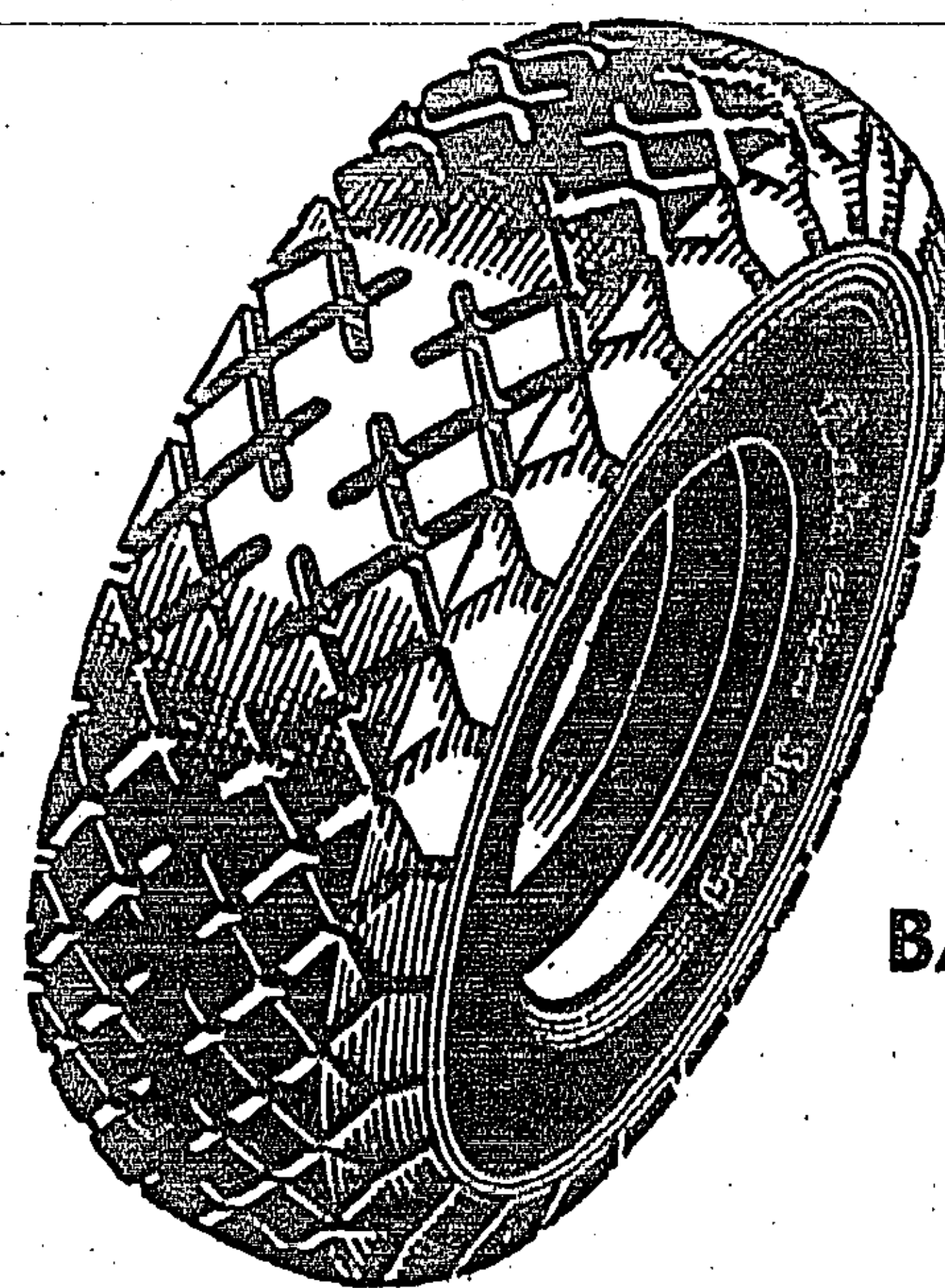
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PORTRAIT of a REBEL

MICHAEL BAKUNIN has his duly dishonoured place in Marrian legend; and his name was much used in that vocabulary of abusive denunciation in which Communism has always been so rich—until it was replaced by those of more fashionable villains.

For most of the outer world he is a rather dim figure—the Russian anarchist whose revolt against Marx split and destroyed the First International.

Yet what a man it was that is thus half-forgotten or only remembered in dreary polemics. One of the most fantastic figures of his own, or any, age. What a subject for the biographer: but missed until Professor Carr drew this careful but brilliant portrait (Michael Bakunin, by E. H. Carr. Macmillan, 25s.) of the great rebel.

Rebel is the right word for Bakunin. He was the passionate, dynamic, furious, undisciplined embodiment of permanent revolt. Revolt against anything and everything—as inconsistent as it was

tortuous. Sprung from a genuine miracle from a respectable family of Russian small landowners and officials, his strange fate led him to things unforeseeable when, restless, expelled from the army, in love, for the moment, with Hegelian philosophy, he left his native Premukhino for Berlin.

He Loved It

For thirty years—with a brief interval in Siberia—he flared stormily across Europe, arguing, quarrelling, borrowing, fascinating, repelling, denouncing, always demanding revolt against this or that: a revolutionary who loved revolution for its own sake, not for its ends.

"The social question," he once wrote, "takes the form primarily of the overthrow of Society." That is the essential Bakunin. He was not interested in any new order, but in the overthrow, the destruction (they are his favourite words) of the old.

There was not, there could not be, any consistency in such a man. He was everything by turns and nothing long. He lauded democracy and denounced it. He called for the Kingdom of God—and as fiercely denied God's existence.

He cursed Tsardom—and begged the Tsar to make himself revolutionary dictator of Europe. He counted Germany his spiritual home—and preached a pan-Slav crusade against all things German.

As a thinker he was negligible. As an emotional force he was in his day formidable and feared. Twenty years of tumultuous, eloquent, humanity-roaring revolt. Twenty years of unscrupulous adventure, living from hand to mouth on eternal borrowing from ever-ready admirers.

Ironic Accident

At the very last the volcano burst itself out. He turned, weary and ill, to thoughts of his childhood home, of philosophy, of music. Almost his last recorded utterance was, "The world will perish, but the Ninth Symphony will remain."

By ironic accident, when the end came, the Bernese authorities recorded the death of "Michel de Bakounine, Renetier."

"If you saw it in a picture..." If a novelist had drawn this character, it would be demonstrably grotesque, exaggerated, outrageously impossible. But it was so.

And Professor Carr has succeeded in making the incredible truth convincing, the incredible man not only human but as nearly comprehensible as a volcanic mass of self-contradiction can ever be to normal folk.

W. M. E.



From "Five Thousand Years Young," a collection of modern Chinese drawings and woodcuts published by Lawrence and Wishart, 1s. Profits for Chinese Medical Aid.

NEW NOVELS

CELIA
By E. H. Young
(Cape, 8s. 6d.)

IN the headlong hustle of so much modern writing—stories slammed together, incidents tumbling over one another, characters like marionettes with legs insufficiently glued on, ideas missing and grammar erratic—what a pleasure it is to come on the work of a patient, conscientious craftsman.

Miss Young's novel is so solid and well-made that I felt comfortable reading it. I could bear to wait while she gradually built up a character, because I knew she wasn't going to cheat and offer me, in the end, something highly polished and quite dead.

Celia is alive. You see her faults and weaknesses as well as her virtues. You find yourself criticizing her as you would notice the shortcomings of a friend without ceasing to be friendly. She is a vague, kindly, uncertain, self-contained woman, polite but pointed in her talk, amiable but too reserved for either passion or deep tenderness.

She does not really cut into the life of her two children. She despises her husband in secret. Her mother-in-law is someone to be endured and evaded: her feeling for the man she might have married is one long romantic dream. Her friendships are carefully removed from intimacy: her mind is as much in a muddle as the bureau she is supposed to be tidying when we first meet her.

In other words, she lives, moves and has her being.

The story of how this pleasant, placid fobber-off of realities nearly drifted to disaster and had to hear a few home-truths before she woke up to life contains some explosive material. But Miss Young is firmly in charge all the time.

ESTHER VANNER
By Chris Massie
(Sampson Low, Marston, 7s. 6d.)

THIS novel opens with the death of Queen Victoria and closes with the outbreak of the Great War. And from the many vital developments of those thirteen years Mr. Massie has chosen the Women's Suffrage Movement as his central theme.

He is careful to admit, in a foreword, that he has manipulated history to suit his tale. But I think he is sound in pointing out that one of the strangest things about the fight for the vote was that it remained, with so many women, simply a fight for the vote.

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- DETECTION**
- Proceed With Caution, by John Rhode (Collins, 7s. 6d.)
 - The High Sheriff, by Henry Wade (Constable, 7s. 6d.)

Danger Point

Knowledge of Nazi Germany needs as complement and counterpart knowledge of her neighbours: most of all, perhaps of Czechoslovakia. Watch Czechoslovakia, by Richard Freund (Nelson, 2s. 6d.), is a short contribution—little over a hundred pages. But it is an admirably lucid and "unpropaganda" account of a State whose domestic problems are of European importance. An excellent introduction for anybody who cares to know something of a country more talked about than known. W. M. E.

ARE YOU A ONE-TENTHER?

BY MAX EVANS

IF you belong to the great average in this world you are only one-tenth a human being—in intelligence.

That, anyway, is the rather frightening opinion of Mr. Harry Kahne, practical psychologist and mental phenomenon, who was recently in Melbourne.

"Yes, the average person doesn't use more than one-tenth of his brain power," said Mr. Kahne. "He leaves the nine-tenths of perfectly good and efficient grey matter to atrophy. This neglect shortens life. Mental development lengthens it."

"This is fact—not theory, and is proved by world-authorised statistics that the average longevity of brain users is 67 years, but of routine and manual workers only 44 years."

Mr. Kahne contends that no one in the world uses the full ten-tenths of his brain power. If he did he would be a superman. Edison used probably only five-tenths... that's consoling to the rest of us!

WELL, WHAT IS GENIUS?

By Mr. Kahne's reasoning a genius often is in the category of the one-tenths. A great scholar, a famous

musician, a great writer, a great specialist in anything need only be of average intelligence.

Usually it is the big business man who leads in brain gymnastics. He is the man who can do several things at once, see several points of view, and analyse them instantly.

Try Mr. Kahne's elementary self-test of intelligence, and see if you are below average, past average or have hopes of getting out of the rut. Take the figures 1 to 9. Write them out rapidly and as you write count them backwards. That is, as you write one say nine, as you write two say 8, and so on. Do it fast and don't hesitate. Then do it in reverse.

If you do it both ways first time and without hesitation you are better than average. It is a simple case of doing two things at once. Your brain is doing double the work it would be doing if you just counted or just wrote the figures out.

Kahne was a dull boy at school, but he went in for developing his brain, and now one of his stage performances is to exercise six mental processes simultaneously.

While reading a newspaper upside down and writing what he reads on a blackboard (also upside down) he recites any popular poem nominated by the audience and at the same time

The SNAPSHOT GUILD DECORATIVE SILHOUETTES



Since the puppy is likely to move, a photographic flash bulb, which gives an instantaneous flash of light, was used in making this silhouette.

PHOTOGRAPHIC silhouettes are a source of decorative pictures—and camera fun—which every snapshotter should try. The arrangements are simple—a white sheet stretched over a doorway, or division between two rooms, with a strong light behind it and the camera set up in front.

By arranging his subjects in front of this brightly illuminated sheet, the clever photographer can construct any number of imaginative or story-telling pictures. Costume snaps are particularly interesting in silhouette, and there are possibilities for many humorous pictures of the "it-can't-be" variety.

For instance, a juggler can be pictured keeping a dozen or two balls or bottles in the air at one time, or a camper can be pictured with two skillets, flipping a dozen flapjacks at one shot. In both these pictures, the objects to appear in the air would be cut from black paper or cardboard and placed to the sheet at proper points.

The sheet must be stretched evenly, as wrinkles will show in the pictures. Lighting behind the sheet should also be as even as possible. Five feet is a suitable distance from lamps to sheet.

Three-hundred-watt inside-frosted electric bulbs will provide enough light to give good results with five-second time exposures, using a box camera with its lens at widest opening, or other cameras at lens stop f.11. To stop movement when pets or small children are appearing in silhouette, use a flash bulb behind the sheet. Or, with two or three large size flood bulbs snapshots can be taken.

When using the flash bulb, someone can flash it at the correct moment at an "okay" signal from the person operating the camera. There should be sufficient light from unshaded regular household bulbs, behind the sheet for the "cameraman" to see the silhouetted images and to know when to give his "okay" signal.

When the silhouette is snapped, of course, all lights must be turned off in the room which contains the camera and subject. Unless this is done, detail in the subject will show, spoiling the silhouette effect. The photographer should also be watchful of stray light from windows and mirrors which might catch light from the illuminated sheet and throw it toward the shadow side of the subject.

John van Guilder.



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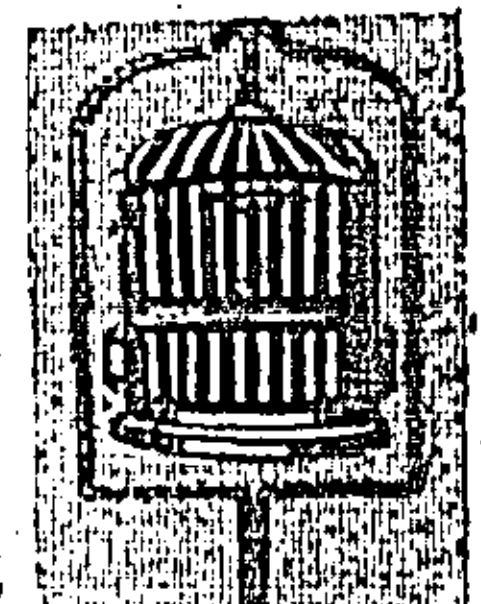
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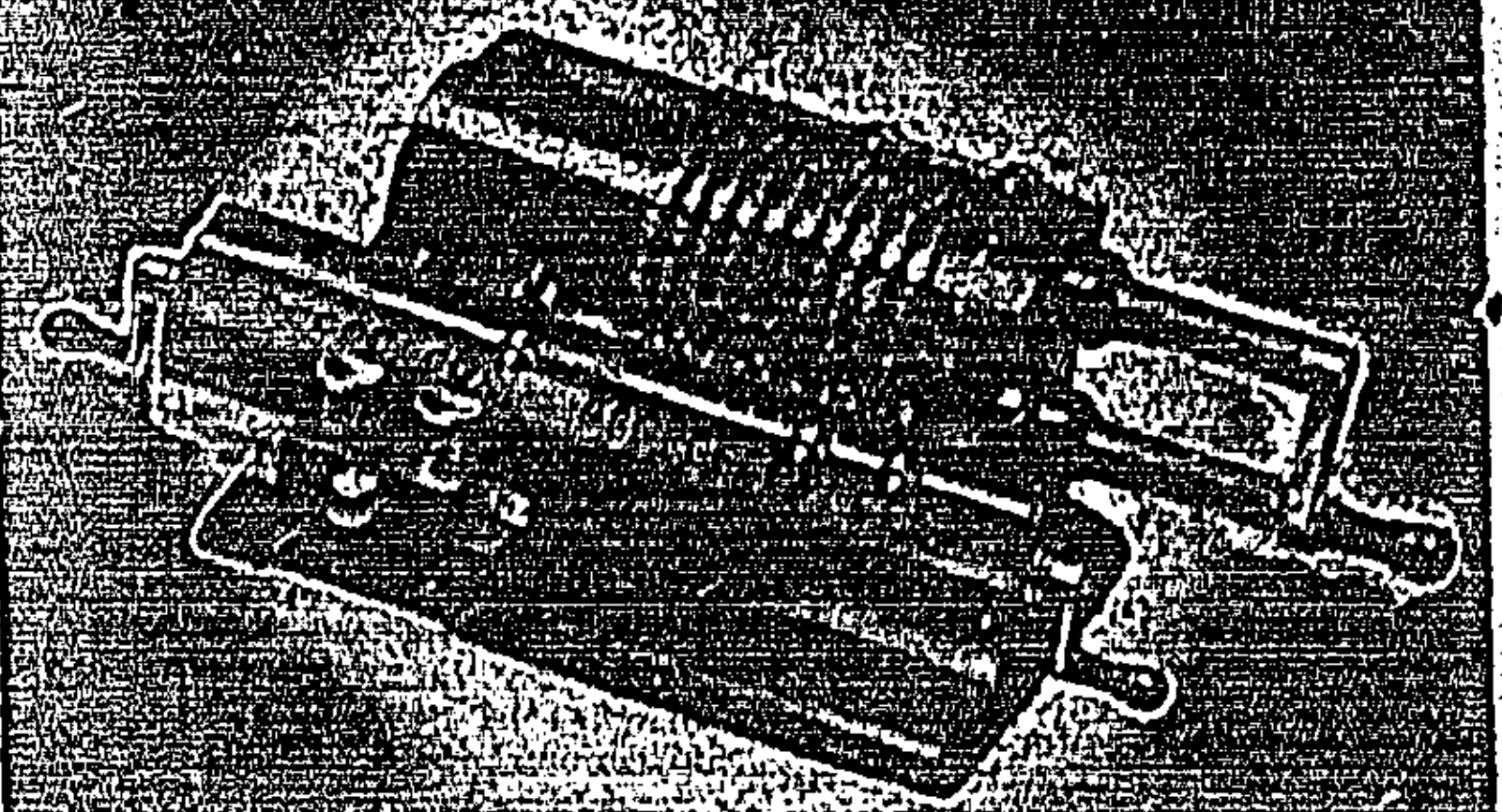
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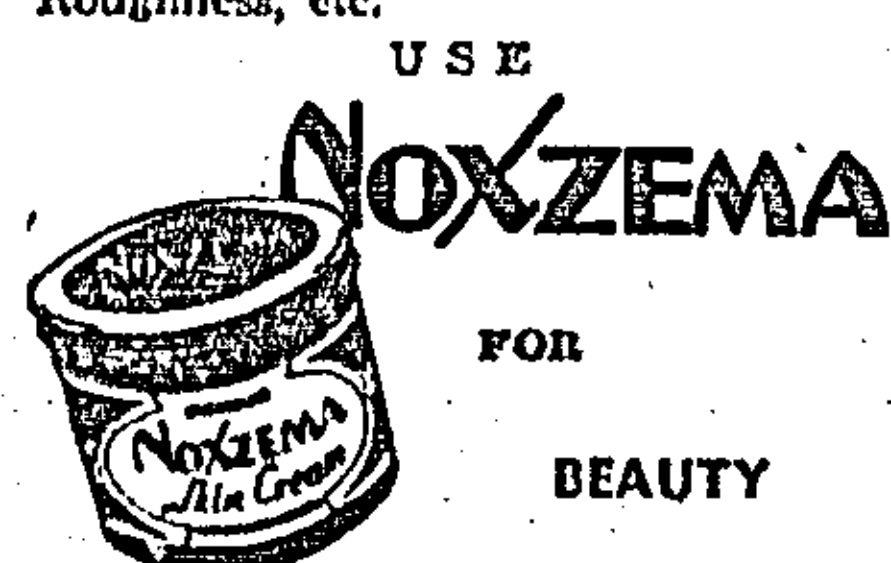
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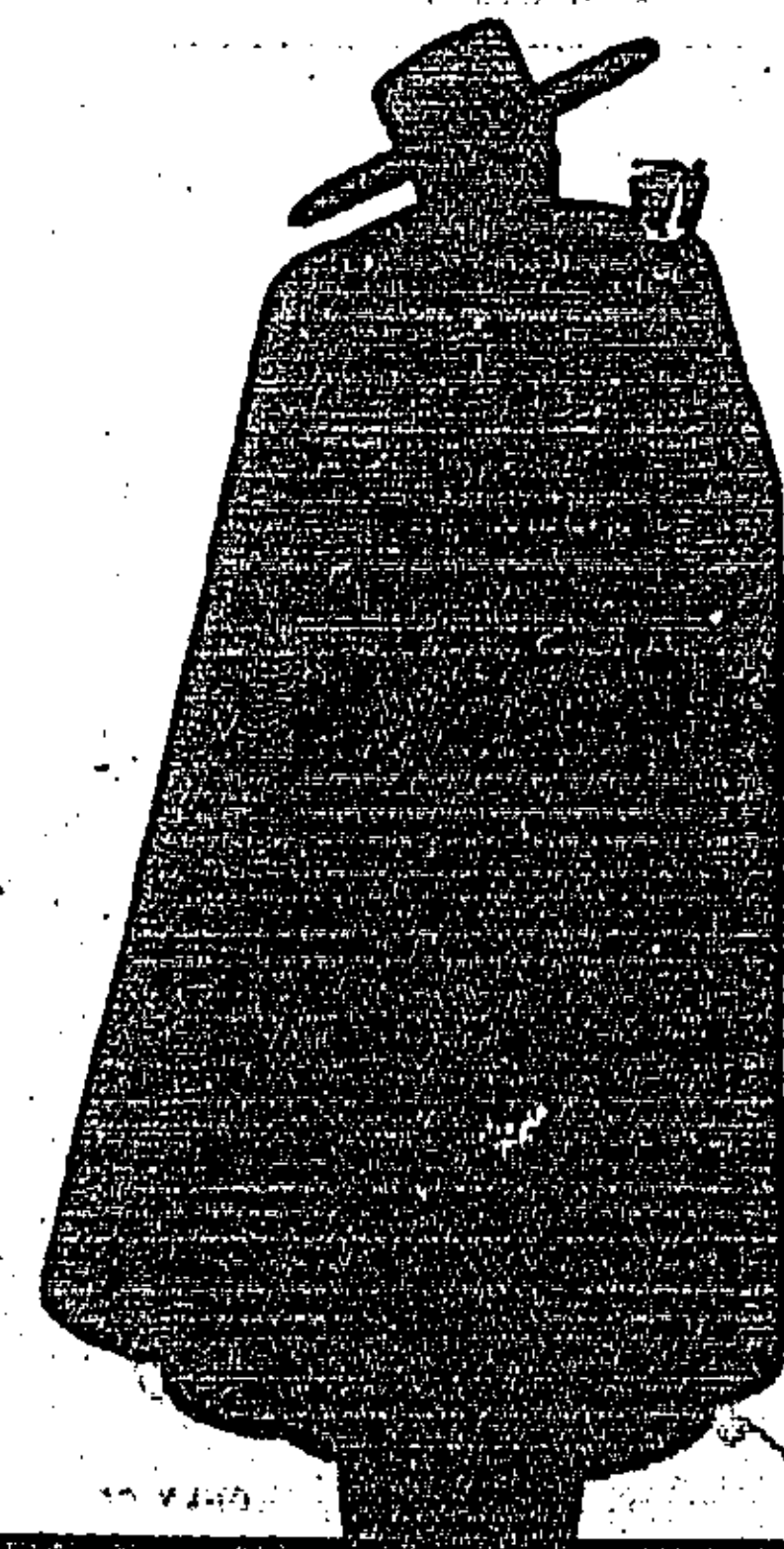
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ISLINGTON CORINTHIANS FIELDING REGULAR TEAM

PLAY CIVILIANS, COLONY OVER THE WEEK-END

SHERWOOD, READ MAKE FIRST APPEARANCES

(By "Abe")

In football, as in most other forms of sport, the element of surprise often plays a very important part in the winning of matches. The Islington Corinthians proved this once again when they swept the South China A.A. team off its feet by the speed of their play in their opening game in the Colony. But the tourists have already played twice here; will local teams, now that they have seen the Corinthians' type of play, do better in the remaining matches? This question will be answered during the week-end.

This afternoon, the visitors will be opposed to the Civilians, who have chosen quite a useful side. If the Chinese were so outclassed, I wonder how the Civilians will fare? However, if they succeed in forgetting the reputation of the visitors, they will do a lot better than most people would seem to think. The Services set about their task admirably on Sunday, and though they were eventually beaten 3-1, they showed that the tourists were not so superior to

been one of the most consistent half-backs in the Colony during the present season, and many felt that he should have been included in the Civilian side before Lee Kwok-wai in the first place. It would be poetic justice if he is given his opportunity if Lee Kwok-wai has not yet fully recovered.

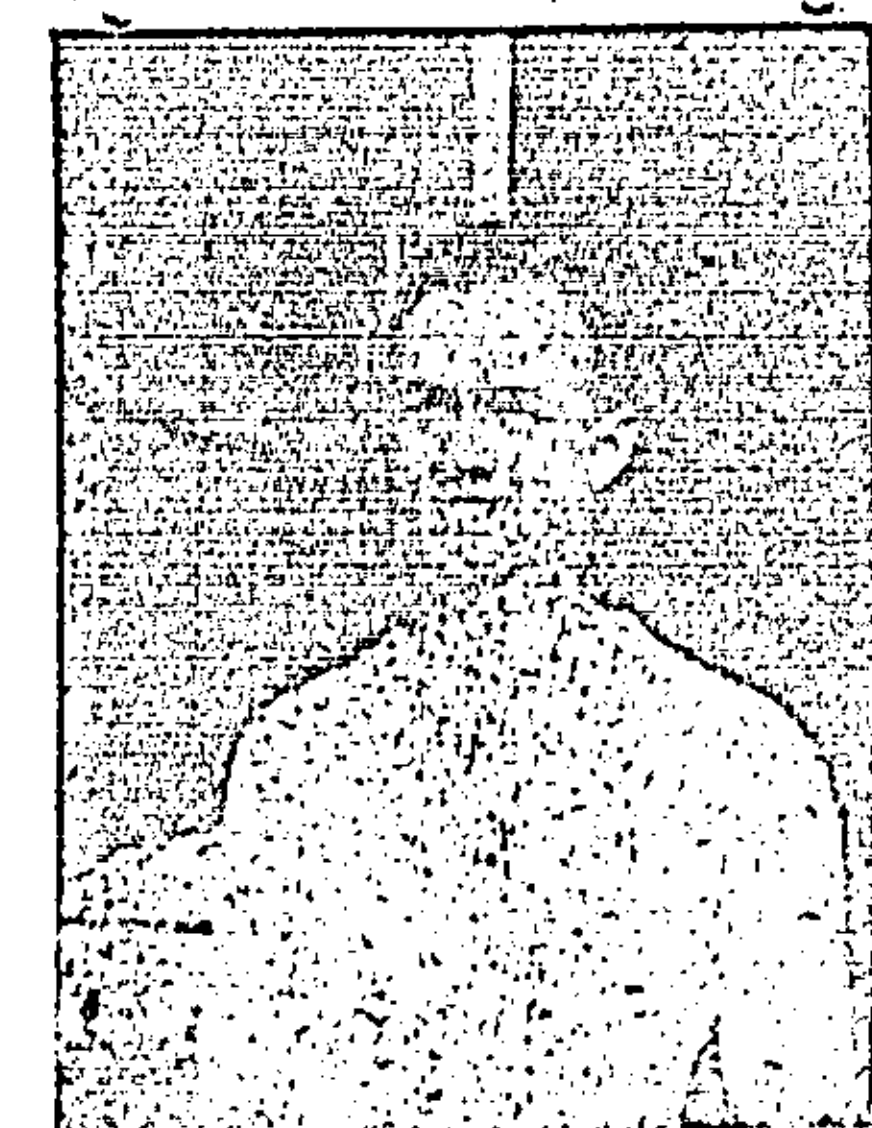
If Gough is played to-day, I think the intermediate line would be strengthened if he were put in the centre and "Sonny" Bliss, the captain, moved to the left. Bliss has played some excellent games at left-half, a position with which he is quite familiar although he does not regularly fill it; but on the other hand Gough would not be so at home as he has not played on the flank for many years.

It will be interesting to see how the Civilian forwards get on against the rocklike defence of the Corinthians. Every one is an individualist, but if they get going together as a team they may do something yet.

BACK TO NORMAL

With the recovery of several of their men, the Islington Corinthians are fielding what is more or less their regular team. That is to say, all eleven men will be in their normal positions. Wingfield will be in goal, with Martin and Clark at back. The latter played on the right last week. The halves will be Wright, Whitaker and Bradbury, the intermediate line which, in the opinion of Tom Smith, their manager, is the best he has ever seen in amateur football. Sherwood and Read were tried out yesterday afternoon and were found to have recovered sufficiently from their injuries to be able to turn out this afternoon. Sherwood will take over Tarrant's place at centre-forward, and Read will go to inside right, and Avo and Pearce form the left flank.

The teams are as follows:—Islington Corinthians:—Wingfield; Martin, Clark (captain); Wright, Whitaker, Bradbury; Read, Tarrant. (Continued on Page 13.)



"Sonny" Bliss Leads Civilian team.

local teams that there was absolutely no hope for us. The Civilians would do well to follow the example of the Services who continually harassed the visitors, and succeeded to such an extent that they had as much of the play as their famous opponents in the second half.

LEE KWOK-WAI UNFIT?

As far as I know, the Civilian team will turn out as announced. The only doubt seems to be Lee Kwok-wai, of South China "A", who is just getting over an attack of influenza, and may not have recovered sufficiently to play. I heard yesterday that Lee himself thought that in the interest of the team he should vacate his place at left-half to someone else. Whether this will be done or not I have no information at the time of writing.

Lee Kwok-wai played against the Islington Corinthians in London and, having seen them in action in the Colony, he is fully aware of the task ahead of a half-back. For this reason, he will probably stand down for a little while.

The local selectors could do no better, I think, than to give Gough of the Police his chance. Gough has



ITALIAN BOXER SUPINE—Question of whether Enrico Venturi, agile Italian featherweight boxer was fouled or knocked out arose in his clash with Henry Armstrong, who holds the world's featherweight crown, in New York. Hardly had Referee Arthur Donovan warned Armstrong against fouling, before Venturi sank to the floor, as above, face in pain. Donovan counted him out.

GOLF IS GREATEST GAMBLE IN SPORT

Said To Be Most Difficult Game To Forecast

By Jack Cuddy

New York, Feb. 17.

What is the greatest gamble in sports? During the past decade any number of people have asked me that question, and my answer always has been the same: "Golf."

Competitive golf is the hardest of all sports to figure. Form means nothing in this game of the fairways and greens. And it costs a certain party plenty of money to learn this. I am referring to old Jack Doyle, the Broadway price maker. I figure "Old Man Broadway" just about broke even on his wagers on sports during the past 40 years. But Jack will tell you he never made a dime on golf.

But Doyle still has plenty of money that he garnered from the stock market—about which he knew nothing at all. And he will have if he quits golf, says Bob Brumby, golf expert of the New York Daily News. Brumby says Montague is a great club golfer—a chap who will go out in almost any foursome and "go to town." But when the chips are down in a tourney and the crowd is pressing on the ropes, Brumby says Montague will not win any big tournaments.

GREAT GAMBLE

Because of this great gamble in golf, I figure it is safe for me to predict that none of the champions of 1937 has much chance of repeating his triumphs excepting that swashbuckling British golfer, Henry Cotton, who won the British open.

Why is Cotton the most likely to repeat? Simply because his mental hazard is less than that of other noteworthy contenders. Cotton is a tall, willowy cold-blooded chap, who takes tourney in stride.

He rides up to the first tee in a custom built car with a liveried chauffeur. He takes off his camel-hair coat and gets down to business. When the match is over—win or lose—he climbs back into that car and heads for the lurid lights of London—or whatever town may be nearby where his Bond Street clothes can be appreciated.

ATTITUDE IMPORTANT

Ralph Guldahl, the 1937 U.S. open champion, has no such mental attitude. I am quite certain. Ralph is a man whose open triumph lifted him, his wife and little son, Buddy, right off poverty row. They say the U.S. open is worth \$50,000 to the winner, through the open money and the expert goods manufacturers' emoluments, etc. When Ralph tackles that open again, he will know what is at stake. And that probably will result in his downfall.

But Guldahl wants to win. Yet there are at least 40 top-flight golfers capable of beating Ralph during the 72-hole grand. Under Sam's open is probably the toughest competition in all sports. Few realize that the players must concentrate at white heat for 12 hours during that tourney. They must bear down with everything they have an average of three hours for each of the 18 holes—because of crowd conditions, etc. This pressure often rips perfect games and lets someone slide through to the title who has not concentrated on the importance of winning—and particularly upon the importance of losing.

You can figure the percentage against Guldahl, when you consider the calibre of players most likely to succeed him: Sammy Snead, Harry Cooper, Horton Smith, Jimmy Thompson, Dick Metz, Denny Shute, Lawson Little, and Ed Dudley.—United Press.



Henry Cotton Cold-blooded?

COLONY TENNIS STARTS

Opening Schedule On Monday

The Tennis Championships of the Colony, organised annually by the Hongkong Cricket Club, will commence on Monday, February 28. Matches for the whole week have been arranged by the Committee and are now posted on the notice-board in the club-house.

The opening programme contains six matches in the singles and three in the doubles.

The week's matches are as follows: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

Singles:—Marshall v. A. Crawford; Leung Ping Chiu v. H. Y. Ho; S. A. Humphreys v. Major F. T. Daines; F. A. Broadbridge v. W. A. Land; F. V. Harrison v. P. S. Leong; L. C. Fincher v. Ma Nai Kwong.

Doubles:—Luk Ding Cheung and Wong Shiu-wing v. A. and H. Chan; M. W. and M. K. Lo v. D. K. Leung and B. Szeto; A. Warr and W. A. Land v. F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang. TUESDAY, MARCH 1.

Singles:—J. F. L. Smalley v. I. M. A. Ruzick; Cdr. R. H. Rump v. J. C. Pook; Tsui Wai Put v. W. J. Skinner; Cheong Ping Yung v. Tennis Wong; W. C. Hung v. Tonne Wang.

Doubles:—G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. Wei Chung and Pang Oi-lam; H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce v. Lensen Lew and Peter U; A. C. I. Bowker and W. M. Barton v. R. B. Bulpin and F. A. Fowler; Paul Kong and Lee Wai-long v. Ip Cho Pong and Lui Kwai-tan.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2.

Singles:—D. Agafuroff v. Wei Chung; M. A. Warr v. Wong Shiu Wing; G. W. Drysdale v. Pang Oi-lam. (Continued to Page 13.)

UNDERGRADS BECOME THE RUNNERS-UP

Beat St. Andrew's In Mixed Doubles Badminton

By defeating St. Andrew's in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League at the Eu Tong-sen Gymnasium last evening, University made certain of finishing runners-up to Club de Recreio "A" in the League. They won their match comparatively easily, conceding only two games during the evening.

The undergraduates found their opponents rather weak on the whole. Even the strongest St. Andrew's pair, W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes, could take only one game. M. Weill and Miss F. Wong did well to beat K. L. Yong and Miss Woo.

Scores:—T. F. Yong and Miss U. Khoo (University) beat H. Kew and Miss M. Churn 21-2; beat M. Weill and Miss F. Wong 21-3; beat W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes 21-14.

P. K. Hui and Miss J. Choo (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-3; beat Weill and Miss Wong 21-18; beat Choy and Mrs. Stokes 23-20.

K. L. Yong and Miss Woo (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-10; lost to Weill and Miss Wong 23-24; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 12-21.

RECREIO "B" v. TAIKOO

Playing at home at King's Park last night, Club de Recreio "B" defeated Tai Koo Recreation Club by six sets to three.

Scores were as follows:—

A. M. da Silva and Mrs. J. Noronha (Recreio) lost to G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers 13-21; beat S. Newman and Miss J. Summers 21-8; beat C. Bovard and Miss E. Pollock 23-21.

C. N. da Silva and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat Smith and Miss Summers 21-5; beat Bovard and Miss Pollock 21-17.

L. A. L. da Silva and Miss C. Botelho (Recreio) lost to Smith and Miss Summers 11-21; beat Newman and Miss Summers 21-17; lost to Bovard and Miss Pollock 17-21.

RECREIO "A" v. FREE LANCES

Visiting the Seamen's Institute last night, Club de Recreio "A" defeated Free Lances by six sets to three.

Scores:—

J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths (Free Lances) beat M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 21-13; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss Oliveira 20-23; beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 21-10.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clark (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 8-21; lost to Remedios and

Miss Ribeiro 11-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-18.

A. L. Fisher and Miss N. Eardley (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 7-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 12-21.

VON CRAMM ADMIRES BROMWICH

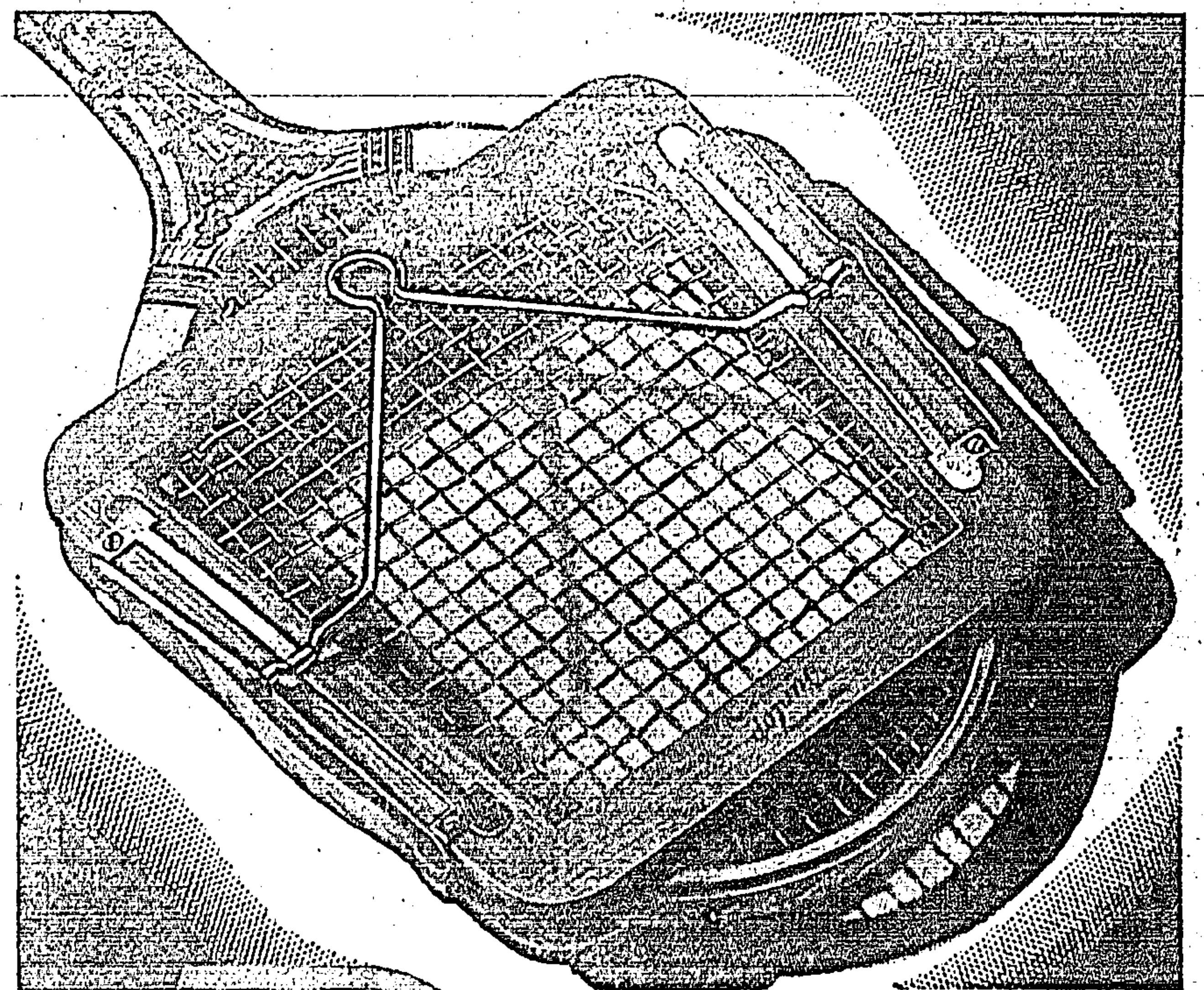
Young Australian Coming On

London, Jan. 18.

"Young John Bromwich can now be definitely regarded as one of the great players of the day," said Gottfried Cramm, the German player, in a broadcast at Sydney, New South Wales, in which Cramm, his compatriot, H. Henkel, and the Americans, J. D. Budge and G. Mako, took part.

"I had lost to Bromwich in Germany, but he did not impress me then on the hard courts," he said. "But he has impressed me here. I have never seen anyone hit such clean winners out of impossible positions. His two-handed shot is one of the best in the world, and is not far behind Don Budge's backhand drive."

"When I went on to the court in a recent match I decided to play to his forehand so as to keep him from making me run. My tactics were to attack him as much as I could. I had good touch on both hands, and did not fear baseline duels. I waited my chance, and then went to the net to finish off the rally with volleys. Bromwich has one weakness, his service. He does not throw the ball up high enough and there is no body in the stroke. The rest of his game is impeccable. His game has improved and he is a great fighter."—Reuter.



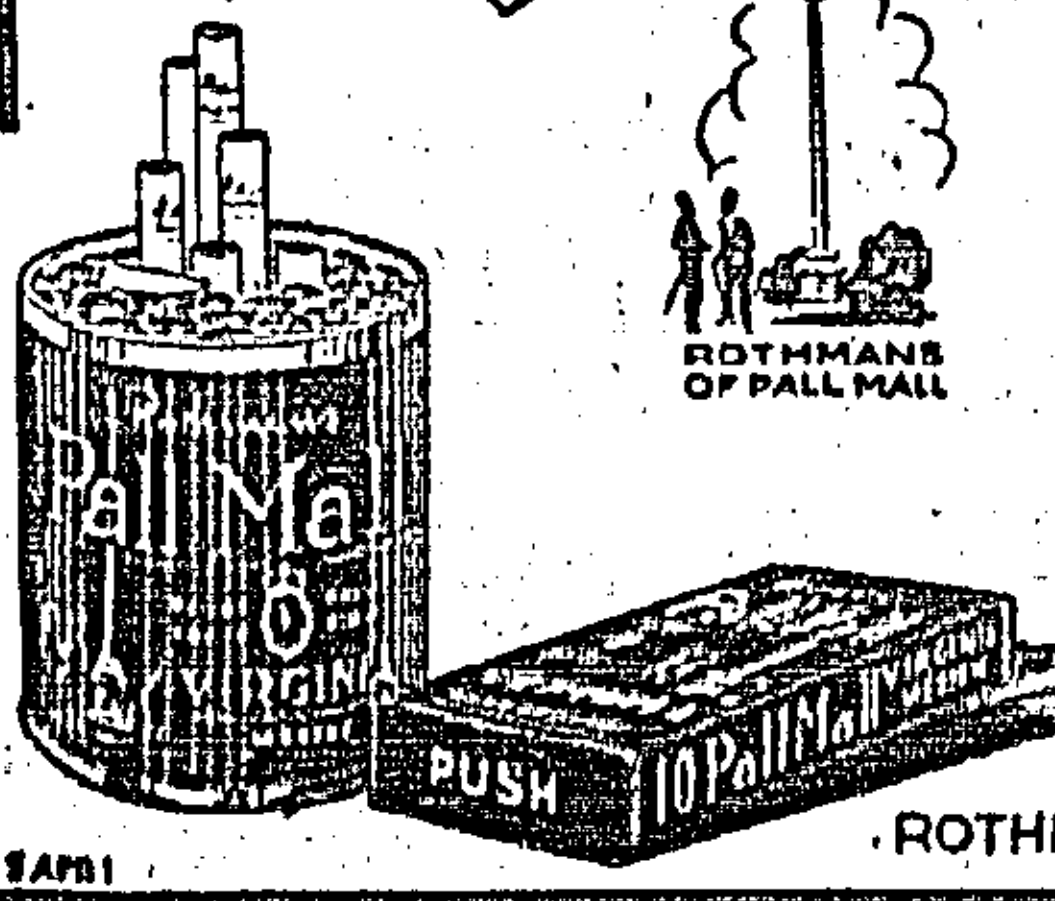
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Anglo-Eire Talks Make Slow Progress

London, Feb. 25. The present stage of the Anglo-Eire talks ended this evening when trade discussions at the Dominions Office were adjourned without having concluded examination of the trade questions.

It is stated in British circles that although the trade talks occupied the greater part of the time, owing to the great amount of detail involved, discussion on all subjects under review was still proceeding.

Although it is too soon to forecast the success of the talks, it is regarded as a hopeful sign that Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are returning to London to resume the discussions next Thursday.—Reuter.

EIRE MINISTERS RETURN

London, Feb. 25. Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are going back to Dublin tomorrow as their presence is required in connection with internal affairs. They will return to London on Wednesday, and discussions with the United Kingdom will be resumed on Thursday.

During to-day, Ministers of the governments of Eire and the United Kingdom had been discussing questions relating to the trade agreement. During the absence of the Ministers of Eire discussions between officials of the two governments will continue.

Mr. De Valera arrived in London last Saturday, but opening of the talks fixed for Monday was delayed by parliamentary calls on Mr. Chamberlain's time, arising out of Mr. Eden's resignation.—British Wireless.

China Coast War Risks Rates Reduced

London, Feb. 25. Revisions in the rating of war risks on cargo bound to and from Chinese ports has been effected by a joint war risks rating committee and Lloyd's Underwriters.

For ratings purposes the China coast had been divided into two sections. The southern section, up to Taku Bar, including Hongkong and Shanghai, and a northern section from Taku Bar to Shangkaiwan inclusive.

Voyages to the northern section were formerly rated at 40 shillings per cent. Now the northern section extends to the south to include Shanghai and the rate reduced to 20/60 per cent. For cargoes to the southern section, the rate remains at 20 shillings per cent.—Reuter.

Stock Market Quiet

London, Feb. 25. The London Stock Exchange was generally quiet to-day there being little incentive to open fresh commitments over the week-end pending more concrete political progress.

Gift-edged holdings were easier and then recovered. Kaffirs were steady at lower levels, and foreign bonds showed some good features. Industrials were lower where there were changes in foreign exchanges. France rallied on near-covering. Wall Street was firmer.—Reuter Special.

GRAVES MUST BE REMOVED

In the Government Gazette this morning notices are given of the intention to make orders in six months' time for the removal of all graves named below for the purpose of properly laying out the areas as Chinese burial places.

Removal from the Tung Wah Hospital Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1929.

Removal from Shum Wah Cemetery, Aberdeen of all bodies buried before 1924.

Removal from Section A in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 3 (Cheung-shawan Cemetery) of all bodies buried during 1930 and 1931.

Removal from Sections B and C in Mount Caroline Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1930, from Section A of bodies buried during 1931; from Tung Wah Hospital, Eastern Extension, of bodies buried during 1931.

EXCHANGE

Selling	
T.T. London	100/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	104 1/2
T.T. Singapore	102 1/2
T.T. Japan	100 1/2
T.T. India	100 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	31 1/2
T.T. Manila	102 1/2
T.T. Batavia	102 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	102 1/2
T.T. Saigon	102 1/2
T.T. Germany	102 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	102 1/2
Buying	
4 m/s L/c London	103 1/2
4 m/s D/c U.S.A.	103 1/2
4 m/s France	103 1/2
30 d/a India	103 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	102 1/2

ROYAL ARTILLERY ANNUAL DINNER



ROYAL ARTILLERY Annual Ball, held at the Peninsula Hotel earlier this week, was a highly enjoyable and successful function, attended by a large crowd.—King's Studio.

COLONY TENNIS STARTS

(Continued from Page 12.)

Lam; G. W. Sewell v. G. Choa; D. K. Leung v. T. E. Wheble.

Doubles:—Mr. Nai Kwong and Li Kwan Hing v. Leung Ping Chiu and Marshall; A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios v. N. W. Dimsey and P. Delane; S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v. F. V. Harrison and W. Sander; E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hussain v. S. A. Hussain and S. C. Hussain.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3.

Singles:—F. H. Kwok v. H. Chan; Wong Fuk-nam v. J. W. Leonard; Paul Kong v. Y. C. Lau; M. W. Lo v. Firdos Khan; Lee Wal-tong v. S. A. Gray.

Doubles:—I. Agafuroff and J. Pengelly v. T. E. Wheble and J. A. H. Douglas; Cdr. R. H. Rump and Lt. Watt v. Major L. A. Newham and Major F. T. Baines; Tsui Wal-pui and Tsui Yan-pui v. Ng Kam Chuen and P. F. Choy; H. A. Barros and J. Consales v. Wong Fuk-nam and Cheung Ping-yung.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4.

Singles:—W. M. Barton v. F. V. Harrison; Tsui Wal-pui v. A. Chan; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan; H. D. Bidwell v. H. J. Armstrong; J. A. H. Douglas v. W. Sander; S. A. Hussain v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Doubles:—Capt. J. C. Loch and Lt. J. M. Tomlinson v. winner of Warr and Land v. Kwok and Liang; O. E. C. Marton and D. B. Evans v. winner of Lo and Lo v. Leung and Szeto; J. W. Leonard and G. Choa v. A. Crawford and G. C. Burnett.

SWIMMERS TO VISIT AUSTRALIA

Sydney, N.S.W. Ralph Flanagan, American free-style champion swimmer, and Adolf Kiefer, holder of world backstroke records, are expected to tour Australia next season.

There is not likely to be a repetition of the complications which beset the visit of Jack Medina last season, as Flanagan and Kiefer will be under the direct control of the Australian Union.

If South Africa is able to arrange exhibitions for the Americans, the Australian Union's financial obligations in the matter will be considerably reduced.—Reuter.



Hollandia's Piet Hein, with Mr. L. B. Chao up, led in by Mrs. Aernout after winning a race at the annual carnival.

Cunningham Retains His Standing

All-America Track Team Selected

New York, Jan. 30. Glenn Cunningham, Kansas' perennial miler, was named on Dan Ferris' All-America track and field team for the fifth straight year.

The A. A. U. secretary-treasurer who announces his annual selections in the Official Athletic Almanac, retained only 10 of the names from his 1937 honour team. In sharp contrast to last year's roster on which Jesse Owens' name was written opposite four events and Don Lash's was inscribed for three, the 1938 roll lists only two athletes for dual performance.

Irving Folwarty, the Rhode Island state giant, was chosen for the 16-pound hammer throw and the 55-pound weight throw, while Johnny Kelley, the distance star from Arlington, Mass., got the call in the 15,000 and 25,000 metre runs. With six exceptions—20,000 metre run, marathon, 110 metre hurdle high jump, 16-pound shotput and javelin throw—Ferris' selections conform to the National Championship held in All-America follows:

60-metres run—Ben Johnson, Columbia.

100-metres—Perrin Walker, New York A. C.

200-metres—Jack Wierhauser, Olympic Club, San Francisco.

400-metres—Ray Malott, Olympic Club.

X-600 metres—Edward O'Brien, Syracuse.

X-600 metres—John Woodruff, Pittsburgh.

100-metres—Elroy Rinbison, Olympic Club.

X-150 metres—Glenn Cunningham, N. Y. Curb Exchange A. C.

500-metres—Joseph McCluskey, N. Y. A. C.

10,000-metres—Elno Penttil, Millrose A. A., New York.

15,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass.

X-20,000 metres—Jean Berthelot, Millrose A. A.

25,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass.

30,000-metres—Mel Porter, Millrose A. A.

Marathon—Pat Dengis, Baltimore.

X-cross-country—Donald Lash, Indiana.

Steeplechase—Floyd Lockner, St. Louis.

X-65 metre hurdles—Sam Allen, Oklahoma Baptist.

X-110 metre hurdles—Forest Town, Ge.

3,000-metres walk—Max Beutel, New York.

200-metre hurdles—Allan Tolmich, Wayne University, Detroit.

400-metre hurdles—Jack Batterson, Rice Institute.

15-kilometre walk—John Abbate, Cincinnati.

30-kilometre walk—Morris Fleischer, St. Anselm's A. C. New York.

50-kilometre walk—Al Mangan, Lowell, Mass.

High Jump—Mel Walker, Ohio State.

Broad Jump—Hermit King, Pittsburgh, Teachers' College.

Hop-Step-Jump—William Brown, Daker, La., High School.

Pole Vault—William Sefton, South California Sportsmen's Assn.

16-pound shotput—Sam Francis, Nebraska.

X-35-pound weight throw—Irving Folwarty, Rhode Island State.

X-55 pound weight throw—Louis Lepis, N. Y. A. C.

16-pound hammer throw—Irving Folwarty.

Discus throw—Phil Levy, Olympic Club.

X-javelin throw—Allan Terry, Olympic Club.

Pontathlon—Eulace Peacock, Temple.

Decathlon—Richard Kohns, Colorado.

X—named in same position last year.—United Press.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning:

Banks
H.K. Banks, \$1,500 b. c. d.
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £94 n.
ex. div.
Chartered Banks, £12 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., £20 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.
East Asia Bank, \$85 n.

Insurance
Canton Ins., \$20 1/4 b.
Union Ins., \$515 b. and sa.
China Underwriters, \$140 b.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$240 b. and sa.

Shipping
Douglas, \$30 1/2 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$11 1/2 n.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Dev.), \$43 n.
Shell Bunker, \$20 n.
Union Waterboats, \$9.30 b.

Docks etc.
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$120 b.
H.K. W. Docks, \$20 1/4 sa.
Provident (old), \$2.80 b.
Provident (new), 90 cts. b. and sa.
New Engineering, Sh. \$2 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$9 1/2 n.
Kailan Mining Adm., 15/6 n.

Rauhs, \$7 n.
Venz: Goldfield, \$4 n.
Hongkong Mines 10 cts. n.
Philippine Mining
Antamoks, P. 60 sa.

Aloks, P. 28 sa.
Baguio Consol., P. 24 sa.
Benguet Consol., P. 8.80 sa.
Benguet Explor., —
Big Wedge, P. —
Coco Grove, P. .08 sa.

Consolidated Mines, P. .011 sa.
Demonstrations, P. .39 1/2 sa.
E. Mindanao, P. —
Gumaua Fields, P. —
Ipe Gold, P. —
I.X.L., P. 70 sa.

Hogons, P. —
Masbate Consols., P. —
Min. Resources, P. —
Northern Min., P. —
Paracale Gumats, P. .25 sa.
Salacot Mining, P. —
San Mauricio P. 63 sa.

Suyoc Consol., P. 21 sa.
United Paracale P. .52 sa.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$6.60 sa.

H.K. Lands, \$33 1/2 b.
H.K. Lands, 4 1/2 Deben, \$100 n.
Shai Lands, Sh. \$7 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —
Humphries, \$8 1/4 n.

H.K. Realities, \$5.70 b.
Chinese Estates, \$86 n.
China Realities, Sh. —
China Deben, —

Public Utilities
H. K. Tramways, \$14.05 b.
Peak Trams (old), \$8 1/4 b.
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/4 b.
Star Ferries, \$83 1/2 n.

Yau-mai Ferries (old), \$25.35 n.
China Light (old), \$11.80 b.
China Light (new), \$8 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric, \$10 1/2 b.
Macao Electric, \$10 1/2 b.

Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/4 n.
Telephone (old), \$20 1/4 b.
Telephone (new), \$9.70 b.
China Buses, Sh. —
Singapore Tractions, 23/- n.

Singapore Pict., 23/0 n.
Industrials
Cold: Macg (old), Sh. \$14 1/4 n.
Cold: Macg (Pref.), Sh. \$15 n.
Canton Ices, \$1.70 n.

Cement, \$14.00 b. and sa.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.00 n.
Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, \$20 b.

Watsons, \$8 1/4 sa.
Lane Crawfords, \$8 1/4 b.
Sincere, \$1.00 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$30 n.
William Powell, Ltd. 65 cts. n.

Cotton Mills
Two Cottons, Sh. \$12 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$70 sa.
Zong Sing, Sh. —
Wing On Textile, Sh. —
Miscellaneous
H.K. Entertainment, \$8.25 n.

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Wallace Harpers, \$1 1/4 b.
Maramba Ind. (Lon.), n/-. 18/0 n.
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Corinthians Fielding Their Normal Team

(Continued from Page 12.)

Sherwood, Avery and Pearce.
Civilian:—Stanny Tsang (East-crn); Mak Shu-hon (South China "A"); V. Costa (St. Joseph's); Leung In-chun (S. China "B"); A. S. Bliss (Kowloon); Lee Kwok-wai (S. China "A"); F. Fowler (Club); Wong Mees-shun (S. China "A"); D. Knox (Kowloon); Howlett (Police); B. I. Bickford (Club).

Reserves:—Hussain, (St. Joseph's); Gough (Police); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's) and Ward (St. Joseph's).

TO-MORROW'S GAME.

To-morrow the tourists will play the Colony XI. In view of the failure of the Chinese last Saturday, it is to be hoped that the Hongkong representative team will do better and thus give a more favourable impression of local football to the visitors. Lee Tin-sang, the Colony captain, seems to think that the Corinthians' defence is not impracticable. Of course not. No defence is impregnable, but from what I have seen of Clark and Co. the Colony forwards will have to do something very drastic in order to get through their defence. And I don't mean maybe.

For instance, Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shu-wing and Fung King-cheung were all disappointing for South China last week and they are included in the Colony side to-morrow. Probably they will play better in this encounter. For the sake of the team, I sincerely hope they will. Saw and Hau Ching-to are a new combination, but both are extremely tricky individual players and may possibly form the more dangerous wing.

The Colony team is as follows:

Duncan (Royal Scots); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); W. Ching (Kowloon); Williamson (Seaford); Lau Hing-choi (S. China "A"); Leung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); Yeung Shui-yick (S. China "B"); Lai Shu-wing (S. China "A"); Fung King-cheung (S. China "A"); Saw (Middlesex); Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

Reserve:—C. Pile (Police); Bright (Middlesex); Ferris and Chan Tak-fai (S. China "B").

ON UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A notification in this morning's Government Gazette states that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Hon. Sir Shou-shan Chow to be an additional Member of the Council of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.



The Acting Netherland Consul-General, Dr. F. A. van Woerden and friend discussing prospects at the annual race meeting.

New Volunteer Officer Takes Up His Duties

Regt. Sergt. Major Thomas Parkinson, who recently succeeded Capt. (Q.M.) H. Westlake, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, has been promoted Lieutenant, with effect from February 10.

Lt. Parkinson was for some years Accountant of the Harbour Office, and concurrently Regimental Sergeant Major of the Volunteer Corps. As Quartermaster now, he has a full time position at Headquarters.

Other promotions notified in this morning's Government Gazette include Battery Quartermaster Sergeant Charles W. L. Cole, who becomes Second Lieutenant with effect from February 25.

Capt. L. F. Nicholson, Second Lt. G. C. Moutrie and Second Lt. Daniel Marshall have, with the approval of His Excellency the Governor, been permitted to relinquish their commissions.

ON UNIVERSITY COURT

Lt. Col. H.B.L. Dowbiggin, o.n.e. and Mr. M. P. Talati have been nominated by His Excellency the Governor as Members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.

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MEXICO MAY SOON SETTLE DEBTS

Mexico City, Feb. 25. Settlement of the Mexican foreign debts, involving some \$800,000,000 worth of British money, is expected in the near future, according to Mr. George Rublee, representative of the International Committee of Bankers dealing with the Mexico problem.

Mr. Rublee stated that negotiations for the renewal of Mexican payments on foreign debts had proved satisfactory. An early settlement was likely after further conferences had been held in New York.—Reuter Special.



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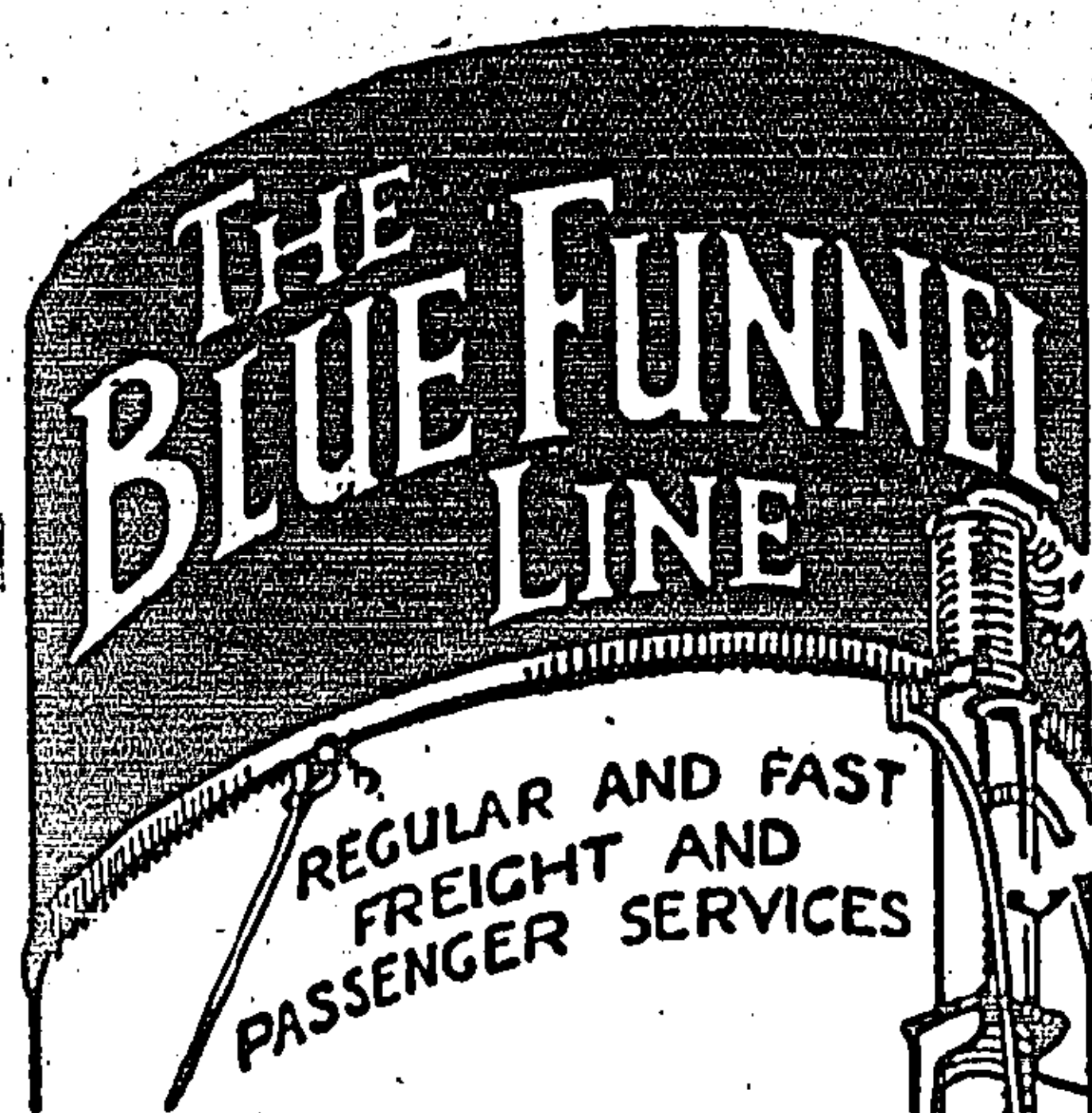


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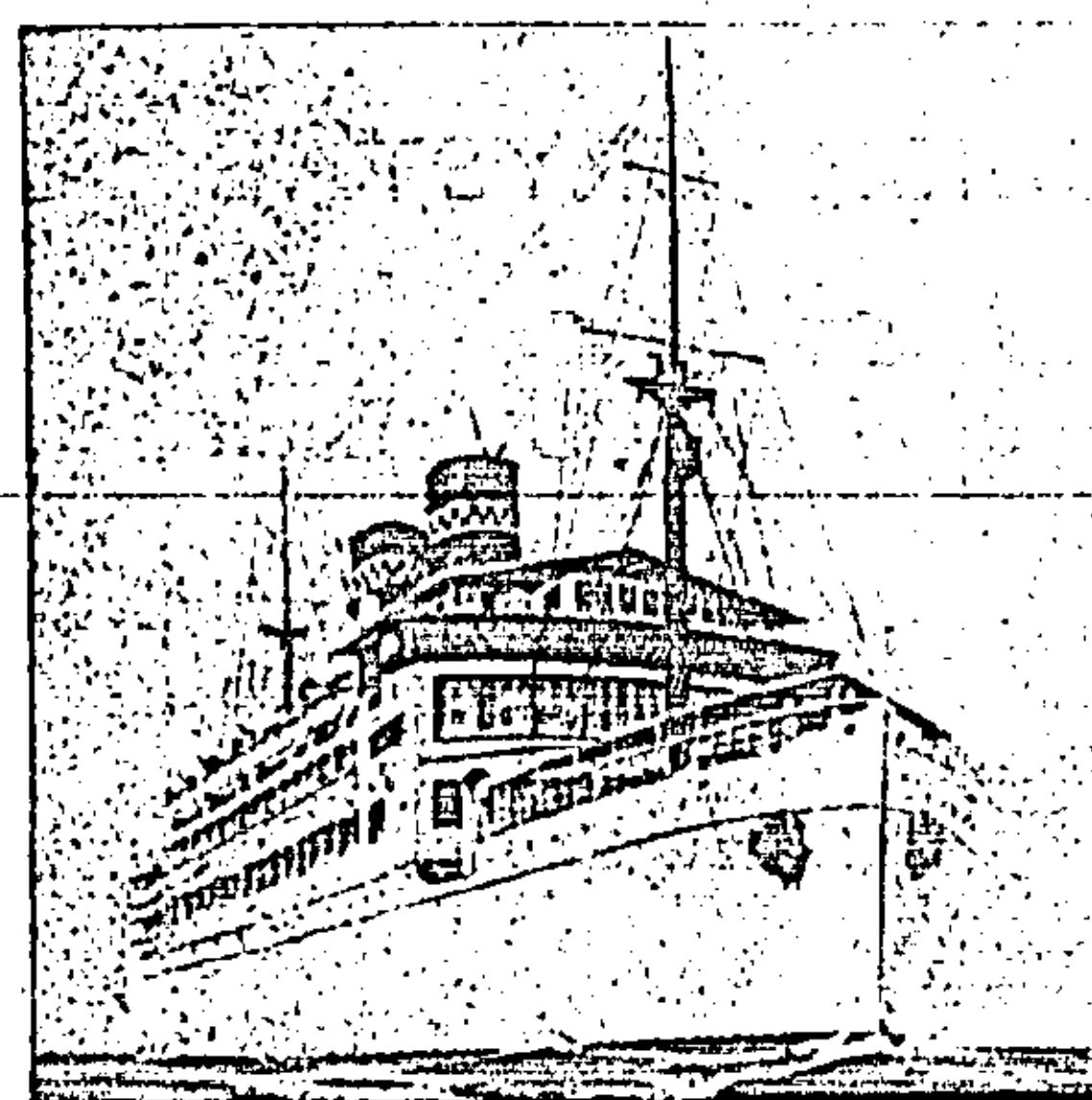
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TOKYO WARNING NOT ACCEPTED BY AMERICANS

Hull Holds Japanese Responsible For Any Injuries

Washington, Feb. 25.—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary for State, stated today that the United States refused to accept Japan's warning to Americans to leave Central China, and specially to mark their property.

He said a straightforward note had been presented to Japan declaring that Japan would be held responsible for any injury to Americans or damage to their property.

Mr. Hull added that the United States had advised nationals to leave voluntarily, certain areas in China, and this advice was being observed.—Reuter.

MR. HULL EXPLAINS

Washington, Feb. 25.—Mr. Cordell Hull, commenting on the Japanese warning to United States residents in Central China, said the United States had not raised the question regarding Japanese military movements as such, but only regarding damage to United States property and persons. Mr. Hull observed that conditions regarding looting and damages to property in Japanese controlled areas, like Nanking, had improved.

State Department official commented to the effect that all nations were on a parallel with the United States regarding damages, reserving rights under international law.—United Press.

MISS SUSAN SUTTON PRINCIPAL MATRON

The appointment of Miss Susan Sutton as Principal Matron, Medical Department, has been confirmed by His Excellency the Governor.

Miss Sutton has been Acting Principal Matron since June 2, 1936. She has been attached to the Medical Department in Hongkong since May 17, 1924, when she was transferred here as Nursing Sister from Johore. She became Acting Matron at the Kowloon Hospital on March 1, 1934, and was appointed Matron at the Civil Hospital on November 30, 1935.

POLITICAL PEACE IN INDIA POSSIBLE

Bombay, Feb. 25.—The United Provinces Government which resigned recently has withdrawn its resignation. The Governor and Premier have come to an arrangement whereby the case of each political prisoner will be examined separately on its own merits. It is understood that a number of cases have already been examined, and the release of the prisoners will be effected shortly.—Reuter Bulletin.



A SPECIMEN CASE

Case No. A.2089

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HONGKONG ON "BLACK LISTS"

Fearing a spread of the small-pox epidemic in Hongkong, other countries of the Far East are taking precautions against arrivals from this Colony.

Japan and French Indo-China have now joined the growing list of nations imposing restrictions against arrivals from Hongkong.

In Bangkok, vessels arriving from Hongkong are detained at the river mouth and passengers and crew are vaccinated unless they can produce evidence of recent vaccination.

Amoy, Manila, and Formosa have declared Hongkong an infected port since the beginning of the month.

KINDERGARTEN MISTRESS

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Miss Margaret Gemmell to be an Assistant Kindergarten Mistress in the Education Department, with effect from February 17

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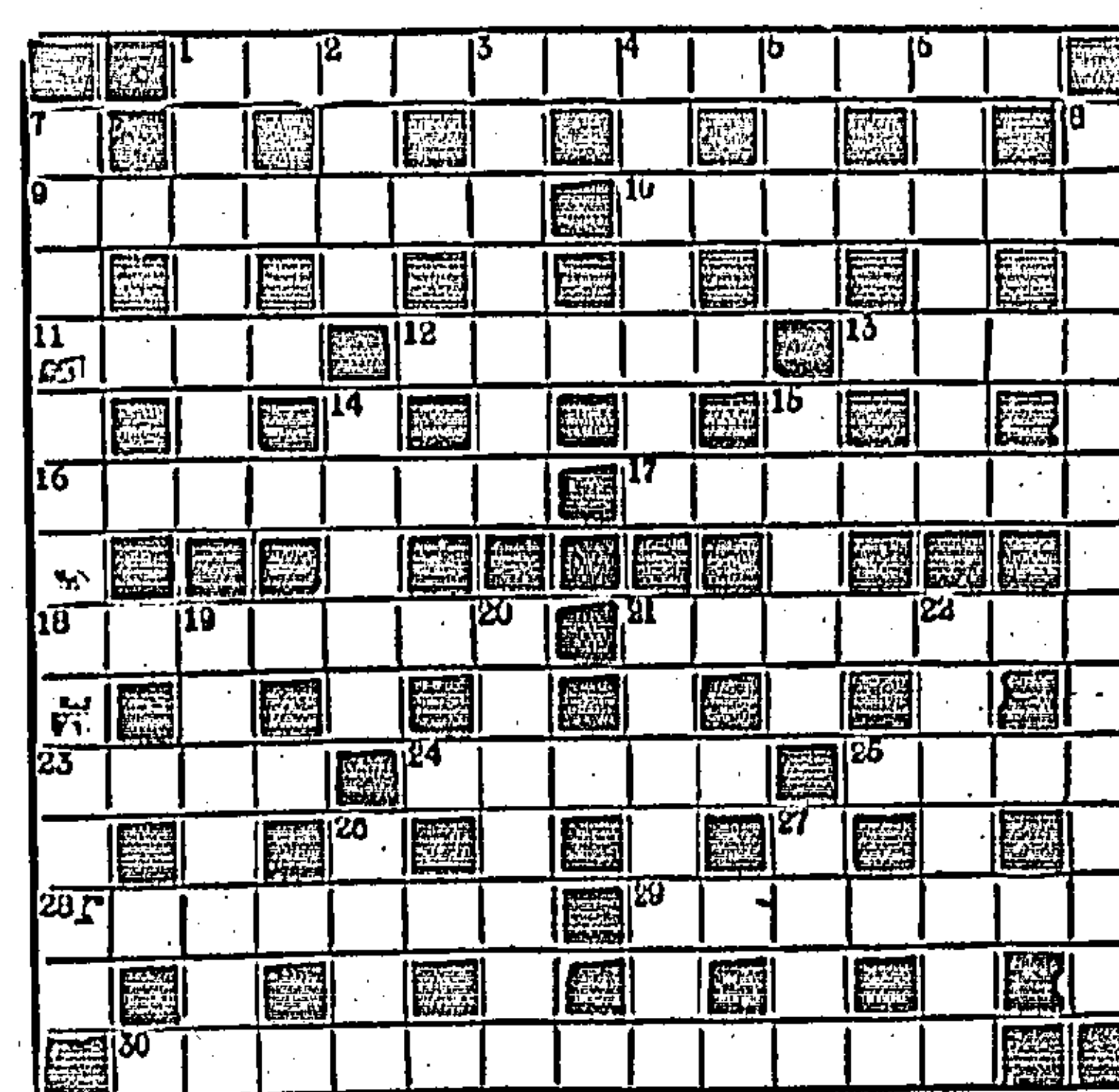
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ACROSS

1 Epithet for a cow, or a good wife (12)
 9 A wanderer (7)
 10 A painter may do this less well if inclined to this behatted (7)
 11 This naturally spoils a fine time (4)
 12 Mean fellow of reptilian origin (5)
 13 This board is from the gunwale to the water (4)
 14 Heavenly (7)
 15 A display of feeling (7)
 16 Splendid ambition of the high-jumper (7)
 17 Mawkishly sentimental (7)
 18 Alternative directions for a sandbank (4)
 19 Put away a high spot in a certain direction (5)
 20 Head feeding habits lead to irritation (4)
 21 An explosive (7)
 22 River of South America (7)
 23 Making the most of things (12)

DOWN

1 Just ground work (7)
 2 This is often in a stew (4)
 3 The opposite of 18 across (4)
 4 Too short for you to solve it in, no doubt (7)
 5 Lacking in greenery evidently (4)
 6 Lacking in across evidently (4)
 7 Kind of ruler (7)
 8 For a long time indeed (12)
 9 Faint heart never gave this exact ascertainment (13)

14 This would follow if banks could not keep their heads above water (5)
 15 A swinish end (5)
 16 Peace lingers round the broken road, contradictory as it may seem (7)
 17 This may be the limit (7)
 18 This sea has an arm, although it is an inland one (7)
 19 English town (7)
 20 One man can be this and 6 down also (4)
 21 Bird (4)

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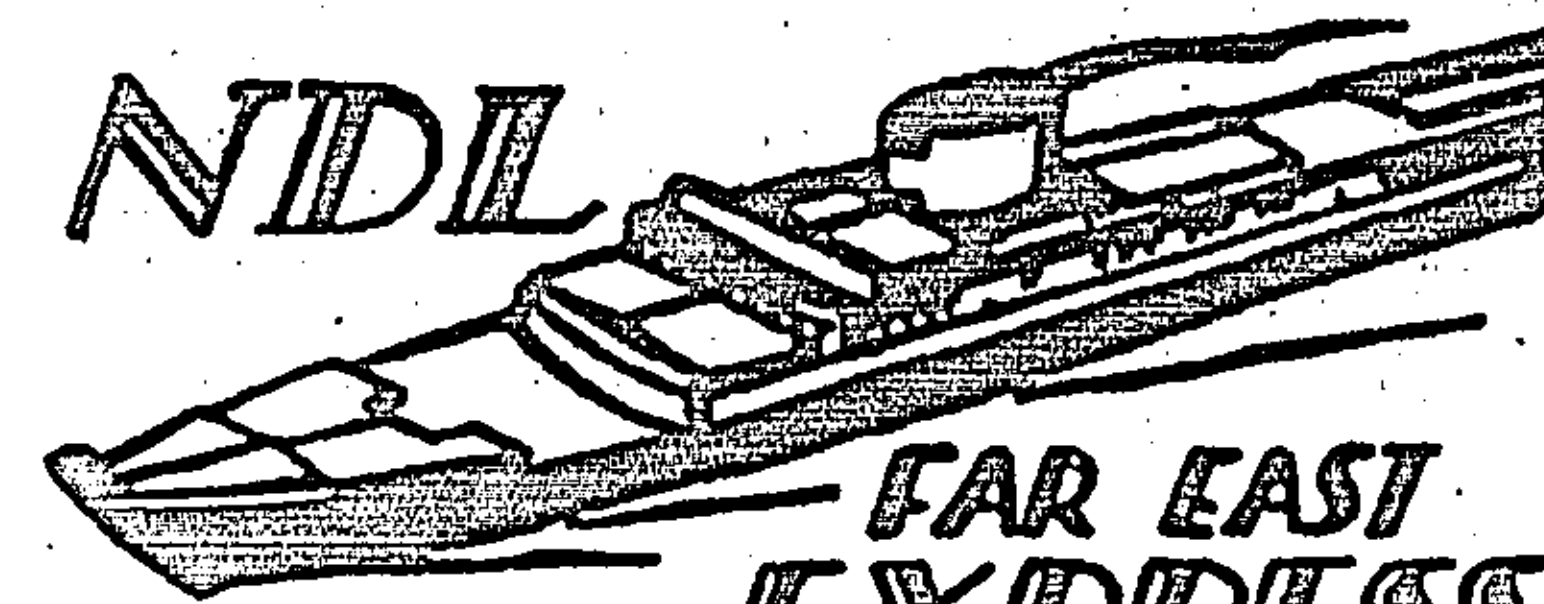
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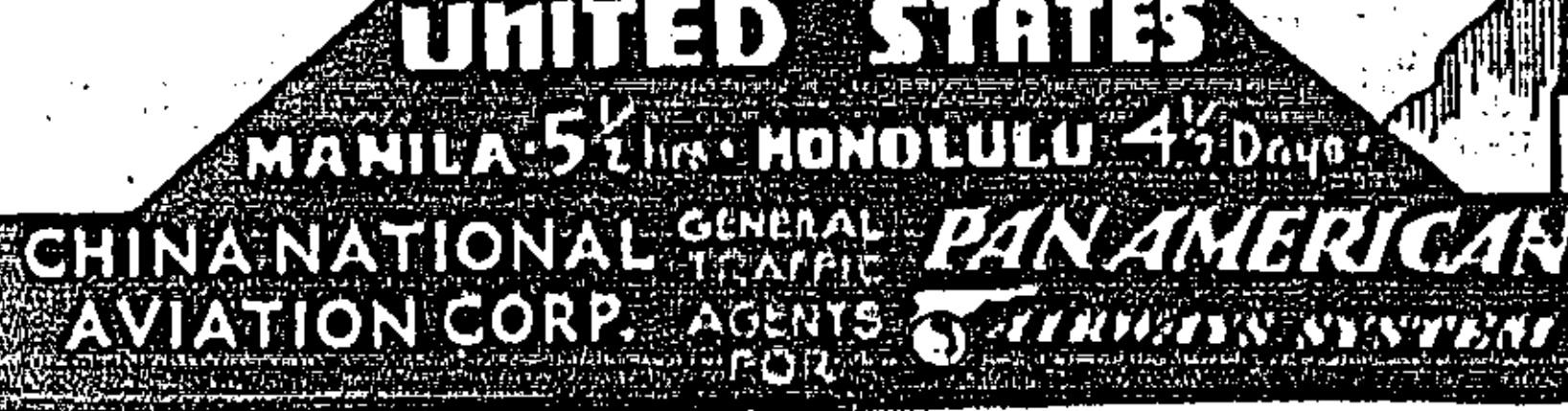
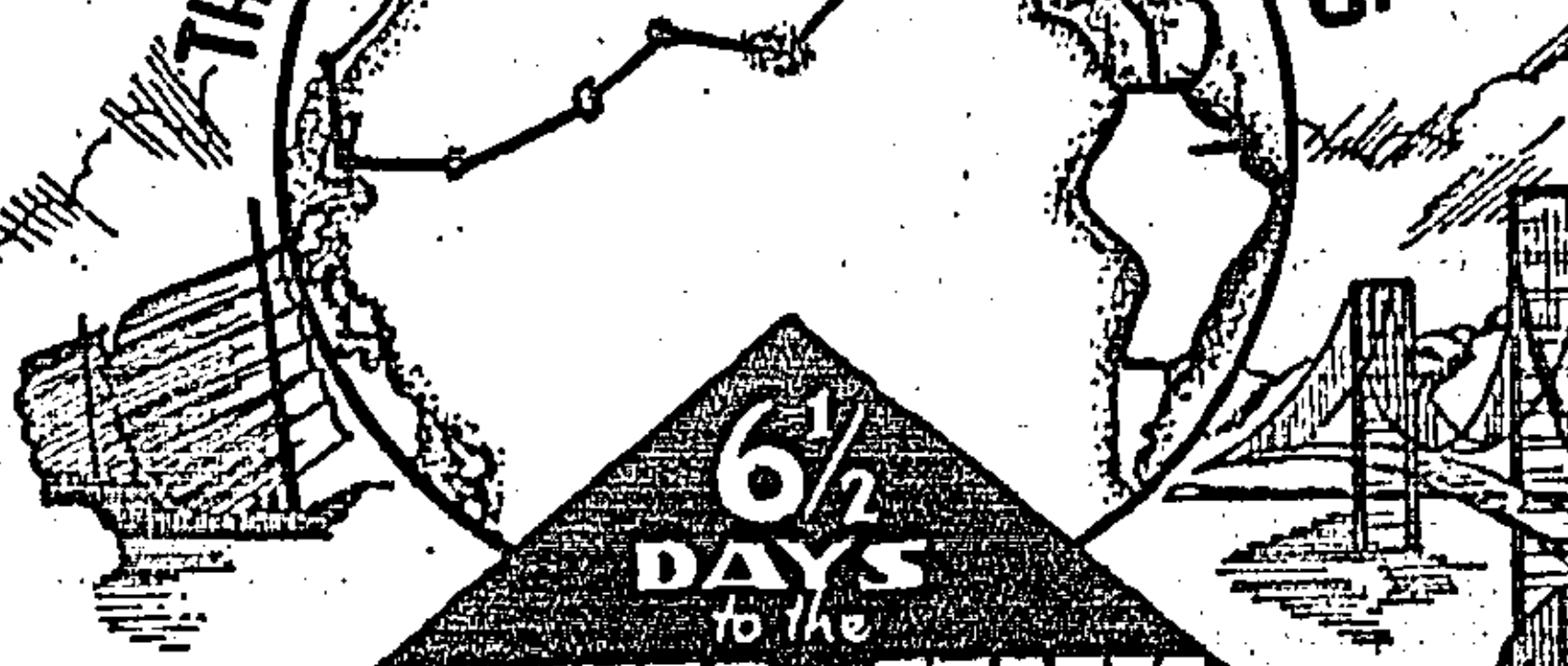
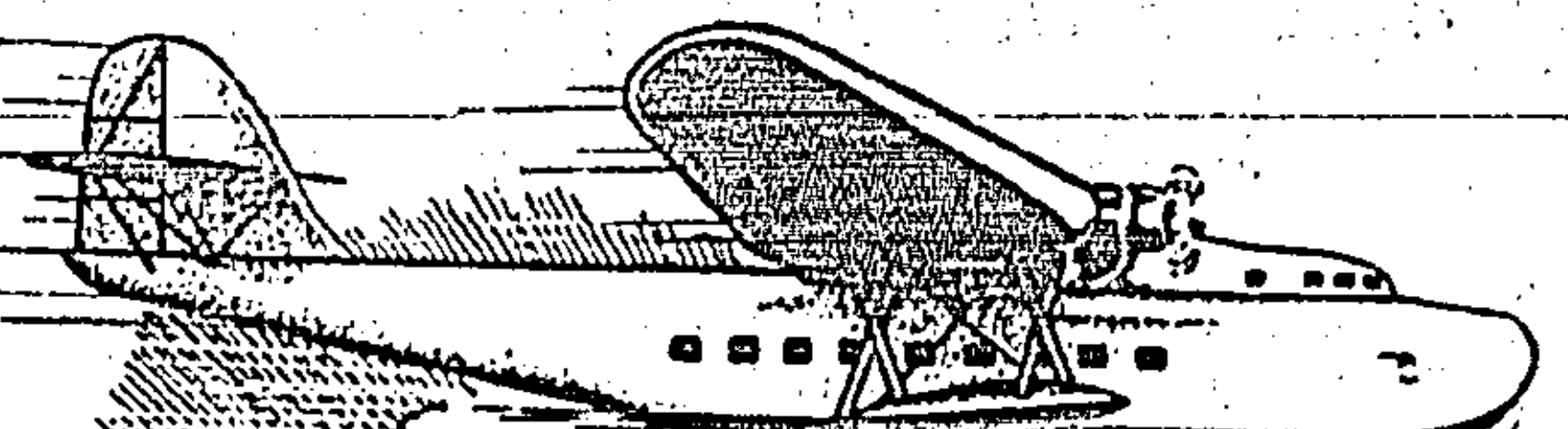
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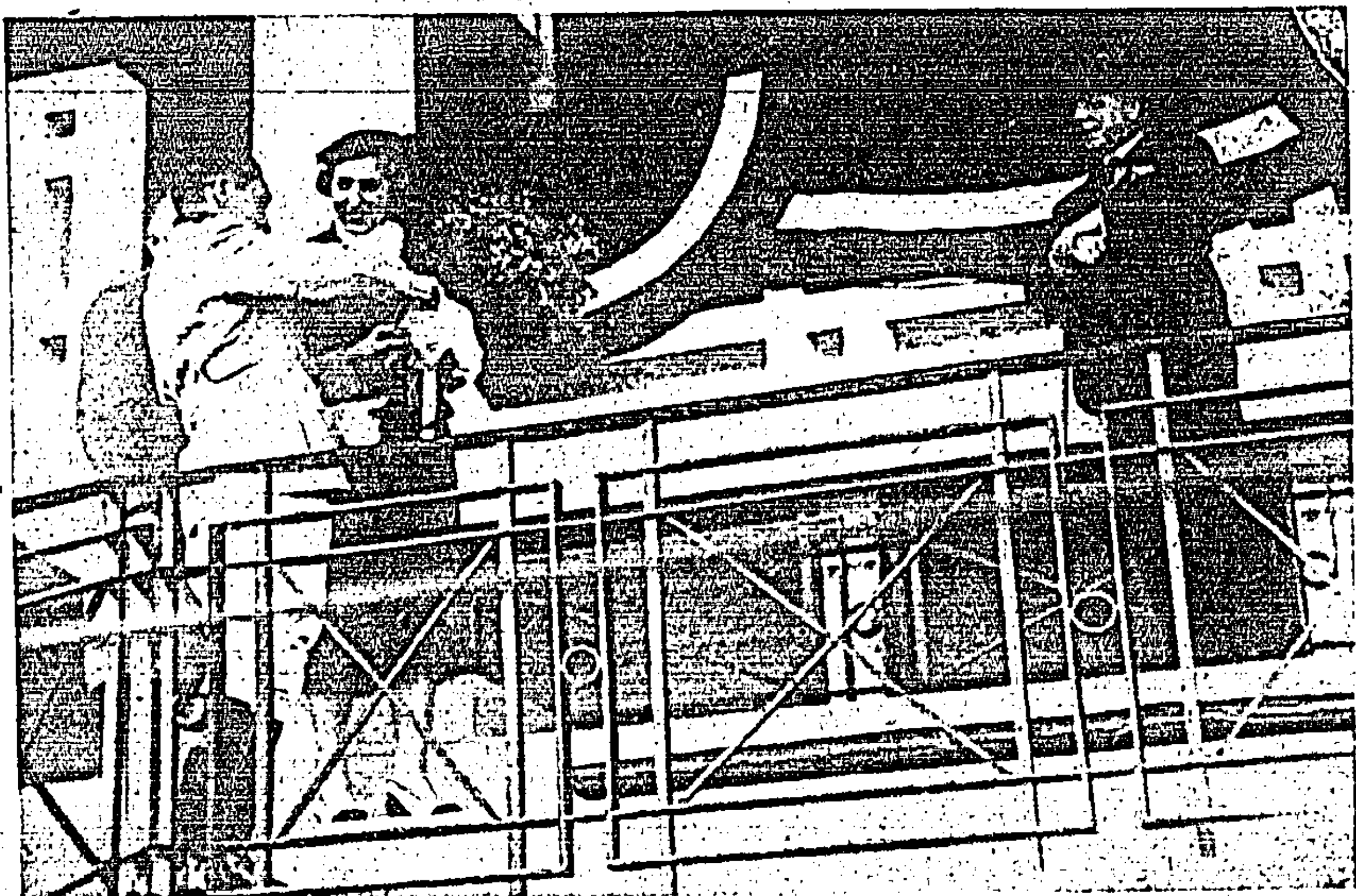
GENTLEMAN WITH HIS BACK TO THE CAMERA must have a good tip, for the lady on the right seems pleased with what she heard.—Staff Photographer.



IT'S A TOUGH PROBLEM, and these ladies at Happy Valley are animatedly discussing it.—Staff Photographer.



THEY'RE OFF! and a seat on the lawn provides a grandstand view. Colonel N. M. S. Irwin, (right), Hongkong's Chief Defence Officer, found time to put in an appearance at the races.—Staff Photographer.



MISS JUDITH SMITH, daughter of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, presenting the Ladies' Purse to Mr. C. M. Encarnacao, while His Excellency the Governor looks on.—Staff Photographer.



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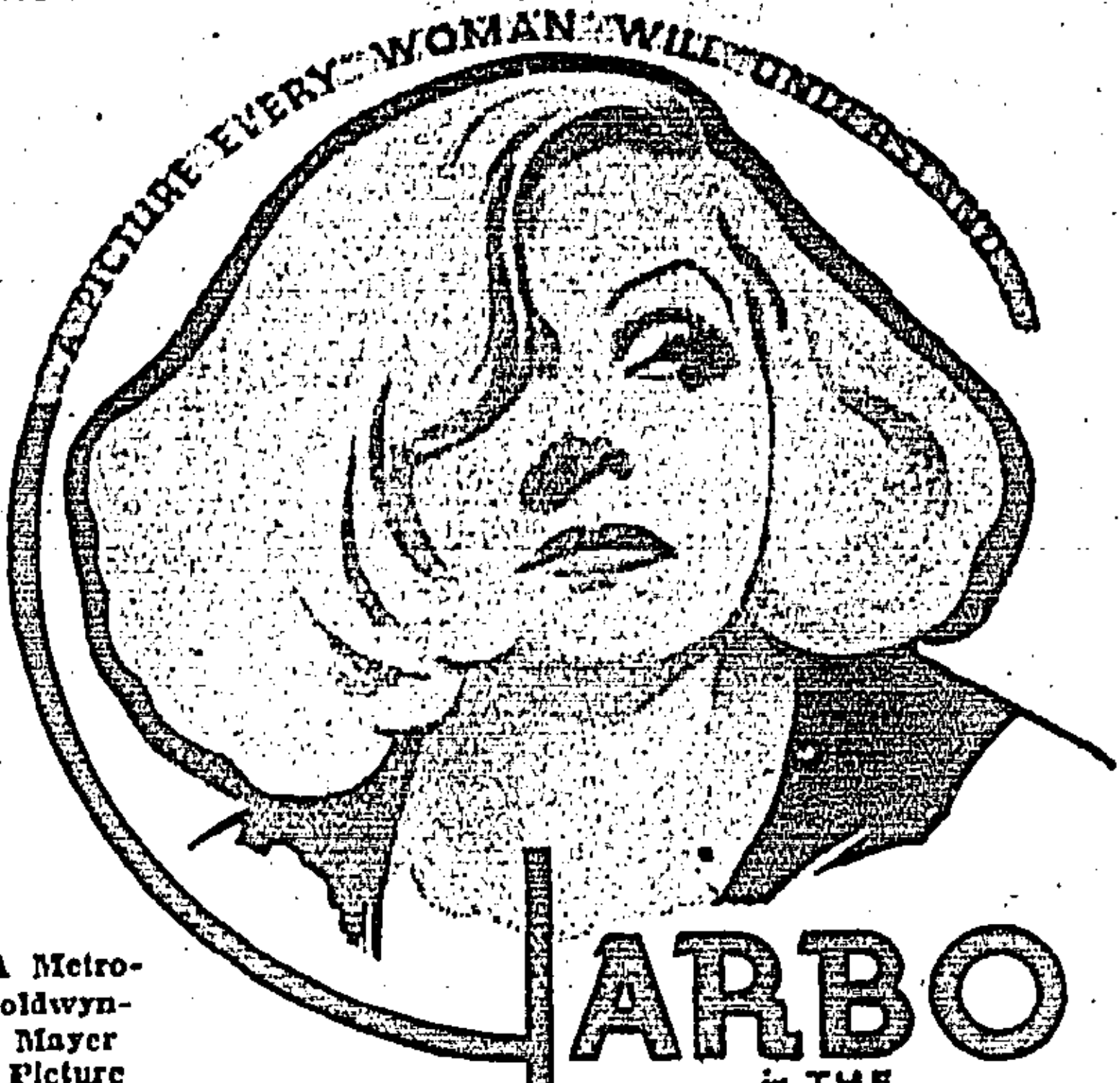
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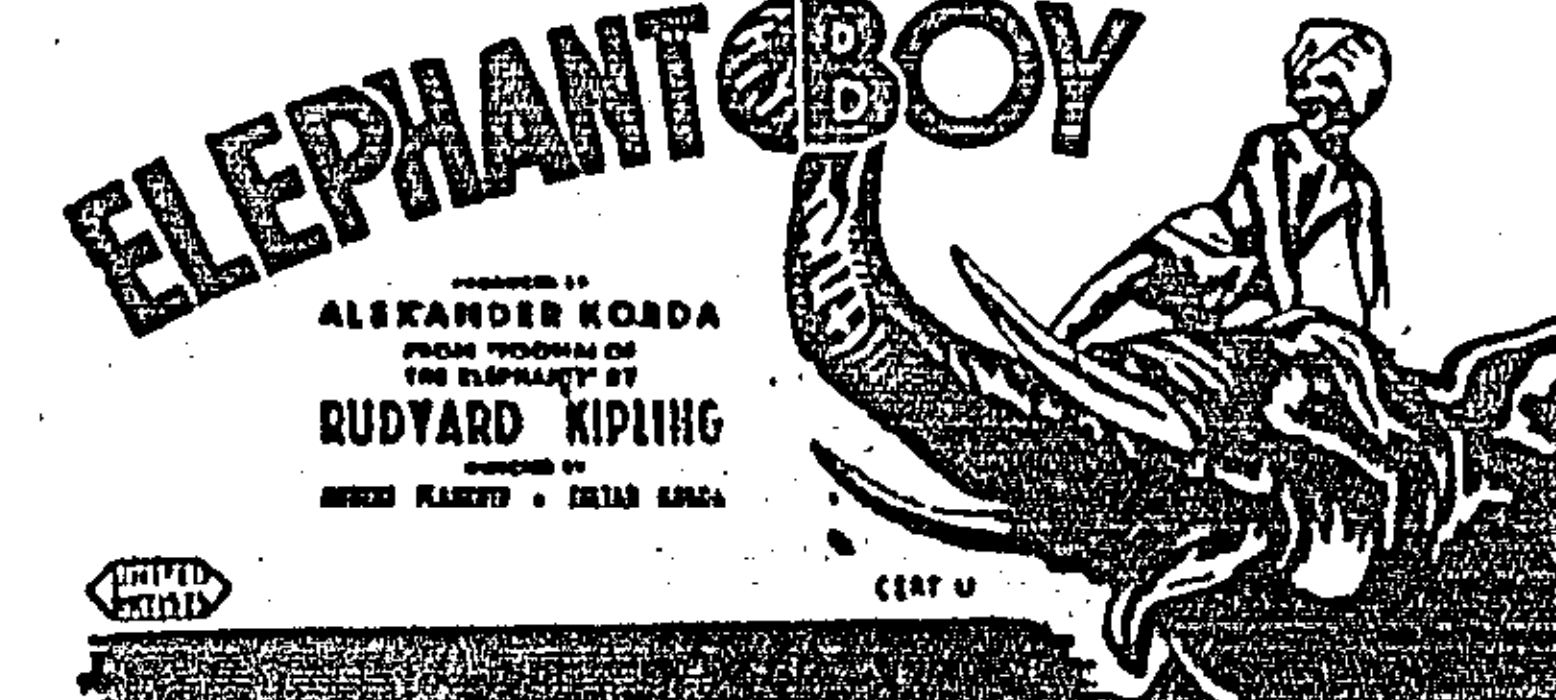
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Air Force Shows Rapid Expansion

Englishmen Flock To Become Pilots

London, Feb. 25.
The remarkable response last year among young men eligible for service as pilots in the Royal Air Force to the announcement of an increased number of vacancies to be filled as a result of the Government air defence expansion programme, has been not only equalled, but beaten this year, when the number of vacancies was again larger.
The Air Ministry announces that although the number of pilots required by the Royal Air Force during the present year, which ends on March 31, reached the record figure of 1,750, the whole of that number had been obtained by the end of January.
Of the total, approximately 1,300 had been accepted from candidates from Civil Life, and the balance, in accordance with normal policy are selected volunteers from serving airmen in the Royal Air Force.
The total number of pilots who had been entered since the expansion began in 1935, now exceeds 4,600.—British Wireless.

Manchukuo Mobilisation Measure To Be Enforced

Shanghai, Feb. 26.
According to Domei's correspondent at Hsinking, the Government's measure for the mobilisation of Manchukuo's entire materials and resources in a time of emergency is intended to function simultaneously with the Japanese measure of a similar nature, which, it is expected, will soon be adopted by the Diet.
The date of the enforcement of the Manchukuo measure will be announced later.—United Press.

DEATH OF JAPANESE PRINCESS

Tokyo, Feb. 26.
The death occurred early this morning of the Dowager Princess Hisako Yamashina, aged 84, aunt of the present Empress of Japan.
She was consort of the late Prince Kikumaro, who died in 1912, and had suffered from kidney trouble for the last three years.
The Emperor and Empress of Japan have sent messages of condolence.—United Press.

PILOT KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

Reno, Feb. 25.
The cabin plane of Adolph Spreckles, Jr., crashed while taking off to-day. The pilot, Robert Hancock (52), was killed, and Louis Deruyter Spreckles Clinton, Adolph Spreckles' former wife, was seriously injured. The accident caused two other passengers to suffer cuts and bruises.—United Press.

BASEBALLER EARNS \$20,000 A YEAR

Cleveland, Feb. 25.
Pitcher Allen sign a new contract with the Cleveland Indians for two years, under which he will receive \$20,000 a year. It is believed he is the second highest paid baseball player in the United States.—United Press.

JAPANESE REPORTS RIDICULED

Kidnapping Of Priests Story Said To Be Fabrication

Hankow, Feb. 26.
Commenting on the Shanghai Japanese spokesman's allegation that Chinese guerrilla troops had kidnapped Spanish priests at Sulling and had taken them to Hsueh, a Chinese spokesman said yesterday:
"The Japanese spokesman's geography and his idea of our dispositions are both absurd. In the first place, Hsueh cannot be reached so quickly from Sulling. Secondly, Hsueh is garrisoned by regular troops and not guerrillas. The report is an obvious fabrication."
Commenting on the Japanese spokesman's remark that religious bodies in China were restricted and harassed as a result of the amalgamation of the Kuomintang and the Communists, the Chinese spokesman said:
"Foreign religious bodies help China in her struggle and care for the wounded and homeless. You yourselves have seen the prayer meetings for China's victory."
It is noteworthy that Commander Chu Teh of the Eighth Route Army, known as the "Red Napoleon", attended the French Catholic victory prayer meeting in Shansi on February 10.—United Press.

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3.—THE GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP.—Winner \$700. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. One mile.
Eve's HALF MOON EVE, 158 lbs. (F. Marshall) 1
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Lancashire's LANCASHIRE LASS, 151 lbs. (S. C. Ljung) 3
Six Starters.
Won by 1/2 length; four lengths.
Time: 1:52.3.
Start-mutuel—Winner \$8.00. Places \$3.20; \$2.10; \$2.20.

CASH SWEEPS
RACE 3
No. 5497 \$3,050.40
" 4820 074.40
" 5500 437.20
Unplaced Ponies (\$50 each) Nos. 5727, 5870, 2530.

JAPANESE CABINET MINISTER HURT

Tokyo, Feb. 26.
The Japanese Finance Minister, Mr. Kaya, was slightly hurt in a motor accident last night. He received cuts about the head in a collision and will require a fortnight's medical attention.
However, this will not prevent him from submitting the extraordinary military budget to the Diet Monday.—Reuter.

Vibro Piling Company Did Good Business

Shows Excellent Profit On Year's Operations

A note of optimism was sounded by the Chairman, Mr. S. M. Churn, at the annual meeting of the Vibro Piling Company Limited, held in the Jacobson Room, Hongkong Hotel, this morning, when he said that the present year had started under favourable conditions, and that if the Company should be successful in obtaining a fair share of the piling contracts during the year, a very good showing should be produced at the next meeting.
Better results should be shown, he said, as during the year the technical department of the Company was transferred to Messrs. Marsman, Hongkong China Limited.

Among those present were:—
Mr. S. M. Churn (Chairman), Mr. R. H. Kotewill, Mr. J. J. Bastie, Mr. G. B. Gifford Hull (Directors), Mr. F. E. D'Almeida Remedios (Secretary), and Messrs. E. W. Blackmore, Lam Chu-chuen, M. Well, L. Well, and C. H. Bastie (Shareholders).
The Chairman said:
The Report and Accounts having been in your hands for the period required by our articles, I will with your permission adopt the usual procedure and take them as read.

In directing your attention to the profit and loss account, which shows a profit of \$24,129.28, I would observe that no charge has been made to this account in respect of depreciation, the reason being that the amount of \$25,514.17 written off plant during the year as the result of the appropriation from profit and loss account which you approved at the last annual meeting, is about six times as much as what would have been required for depreciation this year.
Turning to the balance sheet, I think you will find the statement very straightforward, and will only expect me to comment that as the outcome of the reduction in capital which was effected during the year, the issued capital of the company now amounts to \$96,000.00 representing 32,300 shares of \$3.00 each.

INVITE TO BOARD
You will no doubt be interested to know, gentlemen, that during the year the technical department of the Company was transferred to Messrs. Marsman, Hongkong China Ltd., and arising out of this, Mr. Gifford Hull was invited to a seat on the Board, and our former manager, Mr. Blackmore, is now associated with Mr. Hull's Company. It is the hope of your Board that this arrangement will be fruitful of even better results for your Company than its past record shows, especially so as Messrs. Marsman have undertaken to work the Manila field on behalf of the Company.

In a business such as ours, it is difficult to forecast the future with any degree of accuracy, but I feel that I can, without undue optimism, say that the present year has started under favourable conditions, and if we should be successful in obtaining a fair share of the piling contract which are likely to be placed during the year, we should be able to produce a very fair showing next year.
With these remarks, gentlemen, I formally propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented, and when this has been seconded, I shall gladly answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED
After the Chairman's report, had been seconded by Mr. M. Well, the appointment of Mr. Gifford Hull as a director of the company was confirmed by those present.
Mr. R. H. Kotewill was then re-elected a director of the Company, while Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$400 per annum. A dividend of 10 per cent. on 32,300 shares, and payment of a bonus of 20 cents per share on 32,300 shares from the profit of \$24,129.28 will be payable next Monday on application.

LOST BAG IN TAXI

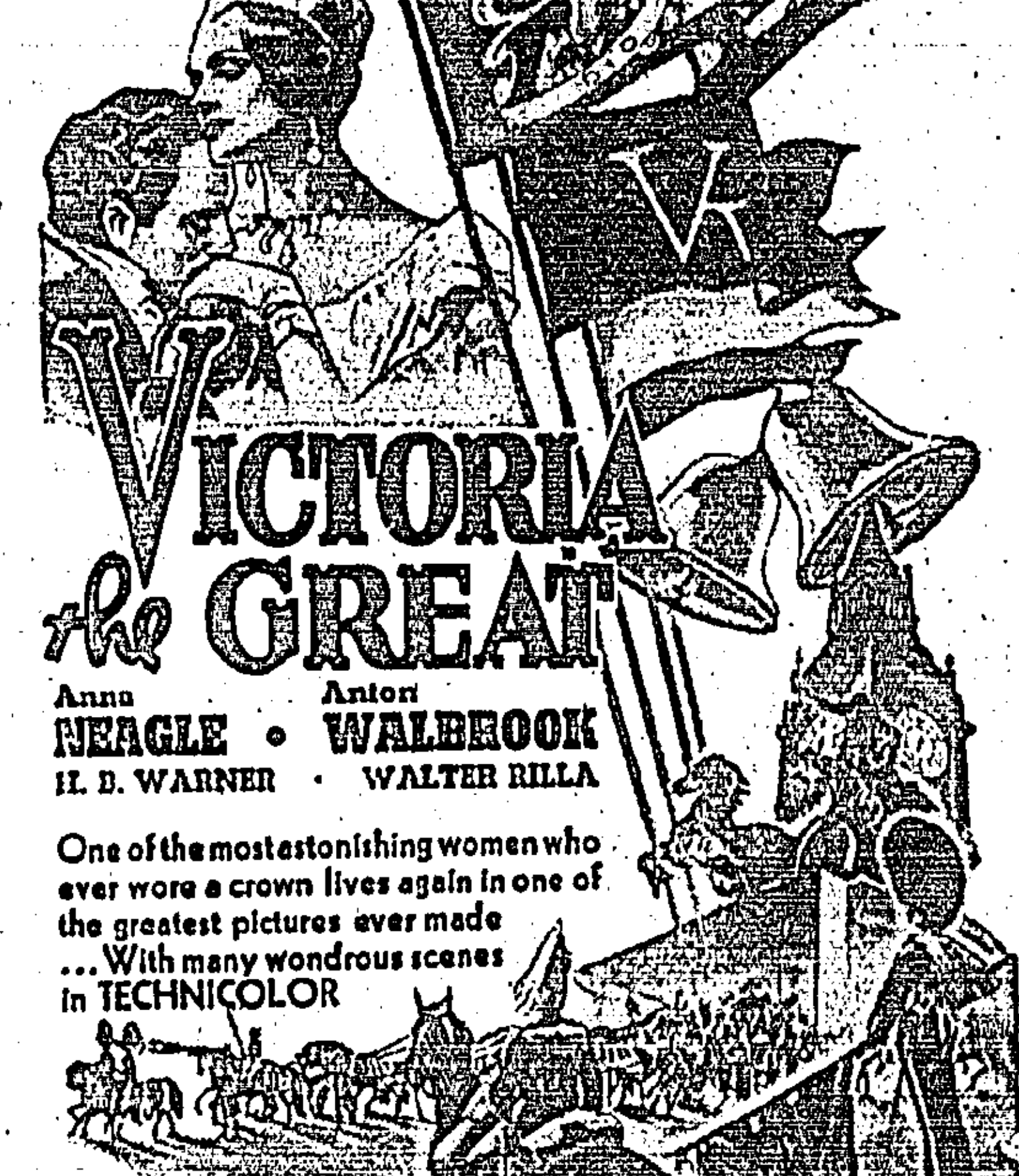
Mrs. Cairns, of 276 The Peak, reported to the police yesterday that she lost a handbag, containing money and papers to the value of \$20, in a taxi while travelling between the Star Ferry and May Road.

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Philippines Independence Discussions

Washington, Feb. 25.
Well informed circles stated to-day that there might be reconsideration of the Philippines independence question because of the Orient crisis. They indicated that President Roosevelt holds the key to such reconsideration, since Congress members had asserted they would await recommendations by President Roosevelt before acting.
Queried as to whether Mr. Paul McNutt, Philippines High Commissioner, had recommended reconsideration of Philippines independence status, President Roosevelt told the press that it had not been discussed yet. The conversations so far had only scratched the surface.
Mr. McNutt privately held an informal conference with Filipino experts, but no decisions or commitments were made.—United Press.

Roosevelt Defends Battleships

Washington, Feb. 25.
In a statement to the press to-day, President Franklin Roosevelt indicated that he regards the battleship as supreme in its field. Asked as to the vulnerability of battleships from the air, President Roosevelt drew attention to his congressional recommendations, in which he said he was convinced of the superiority of dreadnaughts.
Meanwhile Rear-Admiral Cook told the Naval Affairs Committee that 600 aeroplanes, which are part of President Roosevelt's programme, would cost \$510,000,000.—United Press.

R.A.O.C. ANNUAL DINNER

The R.A.O.C. Association's first annual dinner will take place this evening in Hotel Cecil. The dinner will be followed by a smoking concert.

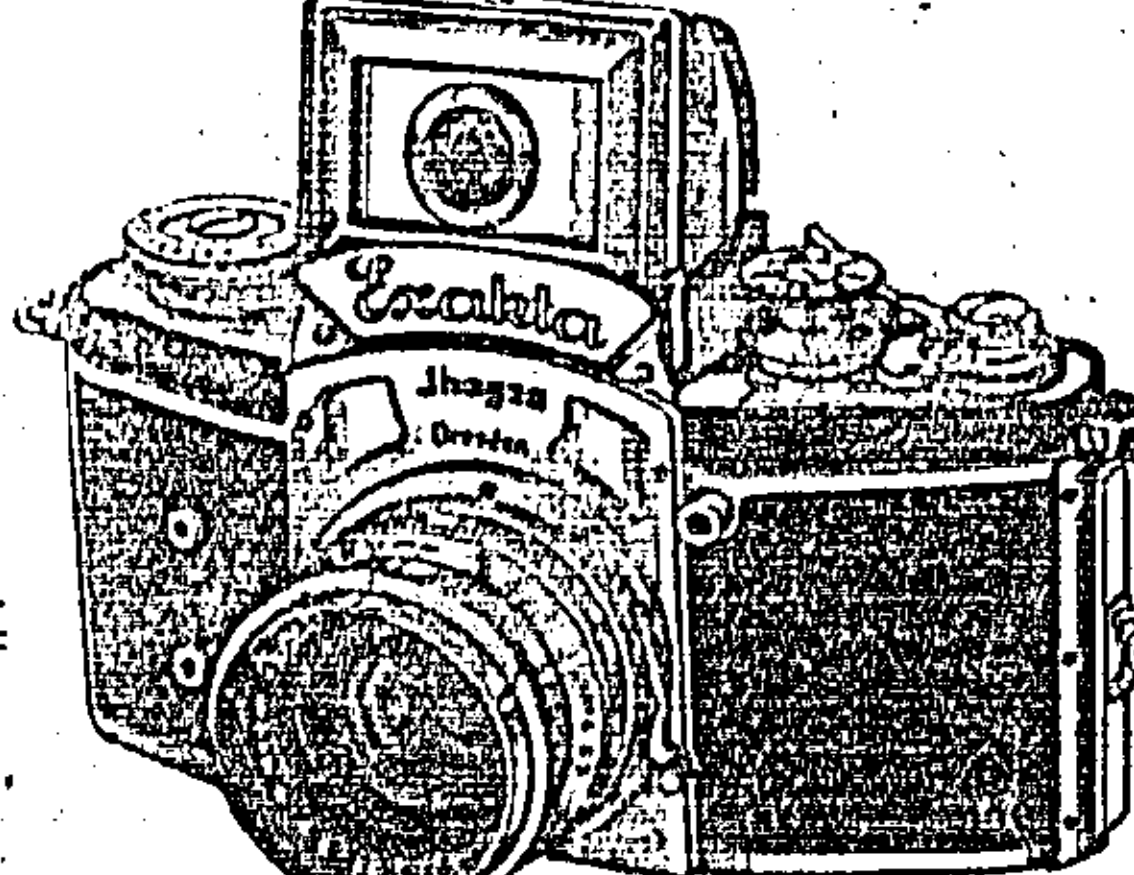
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BANK CHAIRMAN SEES FUTURE DANGERS

CONDITIONS IN FAR EAST MOST SERIOUS, SAYS MR. G. MISKIN

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"Conditions in the Far East are to-day more serious than they have ever been in the history of our Bank.

"The two great nations of the Orient are at grips, grimly determined to fight it out. All the efforts made in recent years to outlaw war through treaties, pacts and covenants have broken down.

"So far from intervening to bring this conflict to an end the leading Western countries are seen aligned into groups supporting widely opposed theories of government; watching each other intently, like boxers at the opening of their bout."

"Few years have seen such contrasts as the past year in China and it is a sad task to set about reviewing the political situation there during 1937. The year started so well and ended so differently."

These were some of the remarks made by Mr. G. Miskin, who presided at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at its Annual Meeting held this morning.

Financial, trade and political conditions, with especial reference to the Far East, were comprehensively surveyed by Mr. Miskin during his speech.

The Statement of Accounts disclosed a net profit for the year of \$15,432,216.

Over forty shareholders were present when Mr. Miskin rose to speak. Addressing them, he said:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Since our last Annual Meeting, a Knighthood has been conferred upon Sir Vandeleur Grayburn by His Majesty the King.

During a period of unprecedented difficulty Sir Vandeleur has been both a tower of strength to the Bank and a wise and able counsellor in the financial affairs of the Colony. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating him very warmly upon the well-deserved honour which he has received.

The Report and Statement of Accounts having been in your hands for the required period, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

After making full provision for all known losses and contingencies, the net profit for the year amount to \$15,432,216, to which must be added \$3,340,789.84 brought forward from last year.

After deducting the interim dividend of £400,000 paid at 1/2% and Directors' remuneration, there remains available for distribution \$12,127,542.35 which it is proposed to deal with as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of £3 per share (subject to deduction of income tax)\$ 7,744,537.82
Transfer to Bank Premises1,000,000
Carry forward to New Account3,383,004.53
\$12,127,542.35

The figures of our Balance Sheet have been converted at 1/2%, the same as last year, so a comparison is an easy matter once more.

The principal change is in our note issue which has increased by some \$72½ million and is shown this year in two amounts, while on the other side Hongkong Government Certificates of Indebtedness show as a separate item of just over \$170 million as cover for our excess issue.

100 PER CENT. COVER

The Hongkong Government now publish at stated periods the condition of the currency fund, from which it can be seen that well over 100 per cent. cover is held by them against the Certificates of Indebtedness which we hold. It is not only a great satisfaction to your Board to know that our liability to the public is so well secured but also that the currency of the Colony is in such a sound condition.

(Continued on Page 3.)

New Ships To Trade With Hongkong

San Francisco, Feb. 25.
It is learned that a Stockholm shipping company will begin a regular freight service between San Francisco, San Pedro, Yokohama, Hongkong and the Philippines on April 15.

The ships will trade under the name of the Trans-Marine Navigation Company.—United Press.

GENERAL PERSHING SINKING

Tucson, Arizona, Feb. 25.
General John Joseph Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American Expeditionary Force in 1917, is sinking rapidly in the State Hospital here.

The authorities announce he has been placed in an oxygen tent.

He commanded in the campaign against the Moros in the Philippines in 1913, having first gone out to the islands in 1906. He was in command of American troops again when they pursued Pancho Villa into Mexico in March of 1916.

Within a year he was to lead the first American army to a European war.

General Pershing retired in 1924. His life has been darkened by a dreadful tragedy, for in August, 1916, his wife and three daughters perished in the burning of the Presidio in San Francisco.—Reuter.

PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

Owing to the large demand for copies of to-day's "Telegraph" subsequent to the printing of the Pictorial Supplement, this edition is issued without the Supplement.

Season's Best Crowd Goes to Happy Valley

HALIFAX GOES TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Opposition Demands
Debate On
Appointment

Egyptians Want
No Aid From
Italy at Suez

London, Feb. 25.

It is officially announced that Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council, has been appointed Foreign Secretary in succession to Mr. Anthony Eden. Mr. R. A. Butler has been appointed Under-Secretary, succeeding Viscount Cranborne.

Following the appointment of Lord Halifax as Foreign Secretary, it is understood that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Premier, is dealing with all important aspects of foreign affairs in the House of Commons.

Mr. Lennox Boyd has been appointed in Mr. Butler's place in the Ministry of Labour.

The Opposition has indicated that a full House of Commons debate on Lord Halifax's appointment will be demanded, both Mr. Clement Attlee and Mr. Wedgwood Benn making it clear that they felt strongly that the Foreign Secretary should be a member of the House of Commons instead of the House of Lords.

GOES TO KEY CABINET POST



Lord Halifax, who has served in many high offices in the Government, takes over the duties of Foreign Secretary, the most arduous of any in the Cabinet at this time.

A debate on the subject will probably take place next week.—Reuter.

Von Ribbentrop To Go
To London

London, Feb. 25.
Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, former German Ambassador to Britain, and now Foreign Minister, will shortly visit London to bid farewell to friends and the staff of the German Embassy.

It is understood he will see Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, but it is not indicated that there will be anything more than a formal meeting.

THIS IS REAL WARFARE



Just as the insurgent troops swept into sight below, the camera man, in this pair of snipers, snapped Loyalist riflemen going into action. Now the Loyalists are no longer at Tuerel, though they lost 10,000 killed and 10,000 prisoners in fighting around about the place, according to latest insurgent despatches. Herbert L. Matthews, New York Times correspondent, took this picture.

CHINESE LAUNCH NEW DRIVE ON CHUNGYI; CROSS YELLOW RIVER

Chinese reinforcements have crossed the Yellow River and are launching a counter-offensive on Chungyi, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 18 kilometres from the north bank of the river, where brisk fighting is in progress, according to the latest advices received from the front.

The Japanese right wing in northern Honan is still massed at Fengchiu, 18 miles north of Kaifeng. Small batches of troops have been sent out to scout the north bank of the Yellow River there. But so far they have not yet made any attempt to cross the river.

The Japanese left wing is scattered at Tsiyuan, Hwai-king, Wushe and Menghsien.—Central News.

Round Up Of Japanese

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Chinese forces in eastern Shansi are launching an enveloping attack on the Japanese troops which have reached Changshih, Changtze and Tainia from three directions, the west, south and north, a military report received here states.

On the Taitung-Pukow Railway the Chinese forces have succeeded in repulsing the Japanese attack on Liang-tuchen, north of Lingshih, whilst west of the railway the Chinese and Japanese troops are still holding out against each other at Shuangchi-chien, about 120 miles south-west of Taiyuan.—Central News.

Japanese Land At Lukang

Tsingyang, Anhwei, Feb. 26.
Fighting on the Wuhu front has been intensified after the arrival of Japanese reinforcements. Under a protective barrage from some 10 Japanese warships in the Yangtze River, 2,000 Japanese troops landed at Sanchanchien and Heng-shankiao west of Lukang yesterday morning. Heavy fighting is now going on there.—Central News.

Japanese And Koreans Captured

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
Forty Japanese soldiers and 20 Koreans irregulars were captured recently by a Chinese mobile unit during a surprise attack on Tangyin station on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, 21 kilometres south of Changtze. They are being escorted to the rear.—Central News.

Japanese Army Trucks Attacked

Chengchow, Feb. 26.
A fleet of 50 Japanese army trucks loaded with military supplies, and escorted by 10 tanks, was attacked by a Chinese mobile unit at Fengtze in north Honan, bordering on south-eastern Shansi on February 23, a belated report states.

The Chinese guerrillas scattered the enemy vehicles with machine-gun fire. (Continued on Page 9.)

FINAL EDITION

"THE LEOPARD" PAYS GOOD WINNING PRICE BEATING GOLDEN COW

But Favourites Generally Live Up To Expectations

To-day's was the biggest crowd of the season at Happy Valley, swelled by hundreds of children. The Circle was packed with Chinese.

The band of the Royal Scots, in full regalia, furnished an additional touch of colour to the meeting and splendid music. The band performed ceremonial marches after the first race, and the skill of the Pipe Major won the applause and admiration of all, especially the children.

The first event was a favourite's race, Salvage Master winning in fairly easy fashion, with Mr. Donald Black in the saddle.

CASH SWEEP RESULTS

The following are the lucky Cash Sweep numbers at to-day's Races:

RACE 1
No. 4309 \$1,839.00
" 2514 574.00
" 3006 277.00

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):—Nos. 3761, 3520, 2383, 2420, 1601, 1420, 3703, 2430, 3023, 1078, 720, 4256, 5159.

RACE 2
No. 4155 \$3,063.00
" 870 274.40
" 4311 205

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):—Nos. 3740, 4791, 2071, 1412, 4589, 3720, 2397, 3251, 4303, 4034, 3003, 2557, 517, 3438, 2622, 2561, 2658.

RACE 3
No. 3407 \$3,060.40
" 4700 274.40
" 5300 437.20

Unplaced Ponies (\$50 each) Nos. 5277, 5870, 2330.

RACE 4
No. 1554 \$2,083.00
" 6090 633
" 5128 428

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each) Nos. 4009, 3339, 2734, 402, 5187, 4407, 4482, 5019, 6142.

RACE 5
No. 3093 \$3,424.40
" 3963 274.40
" 5311 409.20

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each) Nos. 4743, 4722, 4100, 4609.

RACE 6
No. 4723 \$3,297.00
" 6013 242.00
" 124 471.00

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):—Nos. 5470, 3181, 514, 6026, 6232, 4103, 1460, 6238, 5093, 6464, 6334, 1303, 1504, 4946, 3227, 1777.

7.—THE HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP—"A" Division—Winner \$250, Second \$100, Third \$50, For China Ponies. About One Mile 171 Yards.

L. Reidy's SOLDIER OF HONOUR, 163 lbs. (J. Pote-Hunt) 1
Eve's HAVOC EVE, 149 lbs. (F. Marshall) 2
Lan's COSSACK'S BEAUTY, 128 lbs. (H. C. Pini) 3

10 Starters.
Won by short head; three lengths.
Time—2:28 2/5. (Equals record.)
Parti-mutuel:—Winner \$13.40, Places \$5.50; \$5.50; \$5.40.

CASH SWEEPS

RACE 7
No. 6867 \$3,812.00
" 4381 1,532.00
" 4381 510.00

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each) Nos. 4320, 630, 5202, 5267, 6332, 6015, 1602.

The Leopard, ably ridden by Mr. Encarnacao, won the second section of the Nil Desperandum Stakes, nosing out Golden Cow and paying a handsome profit of nearly \$30 to backers. Half Moon Eve and Humdrum Eve made a race of it in the third event, the Griffins Spring Handicap, where there were only six starters.

Dr. S. N. Chau's Derby Day had a fine win in the fourth race, the Flemington Plate. Mr. S. W. Tang rode well. Mr. Black got a second place on Discovery Bay.

FEATURE EVENT

The Professional Cup and Sub-section Griffins' Champions was the fifth event, and a feature of the day. It drew seven starters and Mr. S. W. Tang, riding his own pony, Louis XIV, won by a neck from Desert Star. Mr. Needan up, in a thrilling finish. The third horse, Pict Hein, paid the best price.

THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES.—(First Section)—Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies. One Mile.

Wong Sui Ngau's SALVAGE MASTER, 155 lbs. (C. Encarnacao) 1
Lucky's LUCKY ELEVEN, 158 lbs. (C. Encarnacao) 2
H. and H. WEI YING, 150 lbs. (F. Marshall) 3

10 Starters.
Won by length and a half; two lengths.
Time—1:00.2.
Parti-mutuel:—Winner \$27.00, Places \$5.00; \$7.00; \$5.40.

2.—THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES.—(Second Section)—Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies. One Mile.

Tester and Graham's THE LEOPARD, 158 lbs. (C. Encarnacao) 1
Black and White's GOLDEN COW, 155 lbs. (C. Encarnacao) 2
F. C. Hall's PLANCHET, 158 lbs. (V. V. Needan) 3

20 Starters.
Won by a neck; two lengths.
Time—1:00.2.
Parti-mutuel:—Winner \$27.00, Places \$5.00; \$7.00; \$5.40.

3.—THE GRIFINS SPRING HANDICAP.—Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies. One Mile.

Eve's HALF MOON EVE, 155 lbs. (F. Marshall) 1
Lancashire's LANCASHIRE LASS, 155 lbs. (H. B. Davis) 2
Six Starters.—(H. C. Pini)

Won by 1/2 length; four lengths.
Time—1:00.2.
Parti-mutuel:—Winner \$27.00, Places \$5.00; \$7.00; \$5.40.

4.—THE FLEMINGTON PLATE.—Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any age that have started and have not won, and not won \$1,000 or more in stakes at Race Meeting of the Club since January, 1937. About Half Mile 170 Yards.

B. N. Chau's DERBY DAY, 155 lbs. (S. W. Tang) 1
L. Dunbar's DISCOVERY BAY, 155 lbs. (D. Black) 2
Johnson and Alabaster's RANGER, 152 lbs. (H. B. Davis) 3

12 Starters.
Won by two and a half lengths; the early lead.
Time—1:00.2.
Parti-mutuel:—Winner \$27.00, Places \$5.00; \$7.00; \$5.40.

5.—THE PROFESSIONAL CUP AND SUB-SECTION GRIFINS' CHAMPIONS. A Cup of \$25 each for Starters. A Cup presented to the Winner by the donors and \$1,000 added. Second \$500, Third \$200. Winners and Placed Ponies only. One and a Quarter Miles.

B. W. Tang's LOUIS XIV, 151 lbs. (S. W. Tang) 1
C. N. K. C. DESERT STAR, 155 lbs. (V. V. Needan) 2
Hollandia's PICT HEIN, 154 lbs. (L. B. Chiao) 3

7 Starters.
Won by a neck; one and a half lengths.
Time—1:00.2.
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The duck's best friend

HESTER VALENTINE

tells you how to make the most of green peas—and incidentally all the other vegetables

YOUNG green peas fresh from the gardens! They are just beginning, and for a whole month we shall have them at their best.

This, to me, is an intoxicating thought, because there is nothing in all the vegetable kingdom so delicate and exquisite in flavour as English peas. For this reason I looked forward to winter more than to any other season of the year.

English Peas

Now that they are young they are fairly fool-proof to cook: you throw them into fast boiling salted water with a sprig of mint. In ten to fifteen minutes they will be tender and ready for the duck.

But in two or three weeks' time, when they vary in size a bit, it is advisable to use this method: Get two basins, and when you are shelling the peas drop the larger ones into one basin, the smaller ones into the other.

Throw the larger peas into the saucepan first and cook them for four or five minutes before adding the little ones. In the way you will avoid a dish of mixed hard and mushy peas. Keep the lid off the saucepan while you are cooking them.

French Peas

FOR poultry and veal there is nothing to equal our simple way of cooking peas. But, eaten as a separate course, or as an accompaniment to well-trimmed grill lamb cutlets (if you haven't the facilities for grilling, do them in a pan over a hot fire with no fat at all; they cook perfectly in their own juice), the French method is a delicious change.

Keep the lid of the saucepan on when you are cooking them this way.

Put a good lump of butter in a saucepan (2-3oz.), melt it slowly and add two pints of shelled peas, six or eight button onions, the heart of a cabbage lettuce cut into four, one tablespoonful sugar, sprinkling of salt and pepper and three tablespoonfuls of water.

Put the lid on and simmer, fairly fast, for thirty to forty minutes. By the time the vegetables are tender they will have absorbed most of the moisture and will be left lovely and buttery and ready for the cutlets.

Boiled White Radishes

COOKED radishes are far more digestible than raw ones and form another of my favourite midsummer vegetable dishes. You treat them just like carrots: wash, scrape and trim them, put them into a saucepan with just other way.



"I look forward to winter more than to any other season of the year—vegetables are at their best."

enough cold water to cover, bring to the boil with the lid on, add plenty of salt, and cook till tender. When you have drained the water, pass them through a little melted butter and chopped parsley. Or you can cover them (but don't drown them) with a little thin white parsley sauce.

Cooked Cucumber

THIS is particularly delicious with hot boiled cod or salmon, and it also blends well with white meats.

Cut a cucumber into slices one inch thick. Peel and have each slice, shape the halves, as well as you can, into little ovals. Put them in a saucepan with enough cold water to cover, and a good pinch of salt.

Bring to the boil with the lid on, strain and return to saucepan with some melted butter and chopped parsley. Simmer till tender with the lid on. Stir round every now and then as the cucumber is apt to shrivel if it isn't kept buttery.

Don't throw away the rind—it is the time the vegetables are tender they will have absorbed most of the such an excellent garnish (cut into thin strips, and blanched) for clear soups.

Spinach

Puree

THIS is an economical way of doing a spinach puree. You treat them just like carrots: wash, scrape and trim them, put them into a saucepan with just other way.

COSY LITTLE SUPPER MENU:

Arranged by FLORENCE WHITE

Soused herring, potato salad, Beetroot, Cold sweet-cured Suffolk ham, sweet pickled damsons, Celery and cheese tartlets.

CLEAN four good fresh herrings, cutting off heads and tails, and lay them side by side in a dish, the thick alternately with the thin, so that the layer is even in the dish, cover with vinegar, put two bay leaves into the vinegar, half a dozen black pepper, corns and a little salt. Put the lid on the dish or cover it closely with another dish, and bake for half an hour in a quick oven, take off the lid and if the dish is suitable the herring can be taken when cold to the table in it. Serve a good potato salad in a salad bowl, and serve a whole skinned beetroot in a small glass dish.

For the celery and cheese tartlets, line some grassed and floured puttypan with puff pastry and fill the hollow with beans or crusts of bread to keep centres hollow. Bake the pastry, but do not overbake it as it has to be baked again when the filling has been put in.

To make the filling have a gill of good white sauce and stir into it an equal quantity of celery that has been cooked in the milk of which the white sauce has been made, run the white sauce and celery through a hair sieve, season it with cayenne pepper and salt, stir in a little grated cheese. Fill the pastry cases with this mixture. Sprinkle grated cheese over and bake until the mixture is delicately brown on top.

These little tartlets can be eaten hot or cold, and make a snack for cocktail or bridge refreshments.

Is Your Child Afraid of Things?

A MOTHER was recently surprised to note, on taking her six-year-old son to see a film, that he showed not the slightest fear or, in fact, any emotion when a murder was committed on the screen.

It appears that on such occasions as he had previously been to the cinema, he had so far always gone with a German girl who acted as a companion for in the home. This girl was of an exceptionally placid nature, and it would have taken an earthquake to shake her placidity; recounted murder certainly did not ruffle her. The result was that the child took his cue from her and viewed with perfect equanimity any horror films to which he was taken.

Few things are so infectious as fear. Consider a public building in which fire has broken out. How quickly the crowd can be driven frantic by one or two hysterical people! On the other hand, the calm by one who keeps his head. And if adults can be so easily calmed, how much more so a child?

Other causes do sometimes enter into the growth of a child's fear, but the major one is that of seeing it displayed by others.

Parents are very frequently puzzled when they see a child in the grip of some unaccountable fear. They feel so convinced that they have always been careful not to frighten him. But are they quite sure that they practised this principle when he was a mere baby?

It is not sufficiently realised to what an extent the youngest babies are susceptible to all sorts of influences. As a general rule, their psychological ideas into practice only when they think the child is old enough to understand.

SOWING THE SEED OF FEAR
The seed of fear can, however, be sown even when the child is yet in arms, but this, unfortunately, is

the period when parents consider that they need not be careful. I have seen babies of two, and even one, start with fear at something at which an adult who was holding them had also started.

The incident may, of course, immediately leave the child's mind, but, on the other hand, it is also possible that his mood and the strength of the impression may be such as will cause a permanent effect.

It should be a parent's aim, before the child is able to understand words and reasoning, to carry, for example, a serene and poised mien in face of anything frightening. Then, when the child is old enough to understand, he should be taught caution and not fear.

TEACHING "ROAD SENSE"

An example for this at once springs to mind. In teaching "road sense," most parents generally adopt a threatening and intimidating tone of "You'll get run over if you don't look out," and the result is a flustered and nervous child. One mother wisely says to her small son, "Don't bump into people on the footpath and don't bump into cars on the road." But of someone who keeps his head, whether humour is brought into the question or not, there should certainly be nothing ominous and morbid about the instructions, but just into the growth of a child's fear, a sensible and calm suggestion for avoiding too close communion with all things on wheels.

Children are sometimes frightened by things which are new to them. One child was terrified by an adult joker who arrived at a Christmas party with a huge wolf's head—on his own. The obvious thing to do in such cases is, of course, to show the child the truth. In no case should a child ever be exhorted and, still worse, laughed at and told not to be frightened, "because it's nothing," whatever the cause of his fear may be, for him it obviously is something. The reason for his fear should be discovered and should be painlessly removed—that is, by gentle encouragement and by actual proof, not merely words, that there is nothing there to fear.

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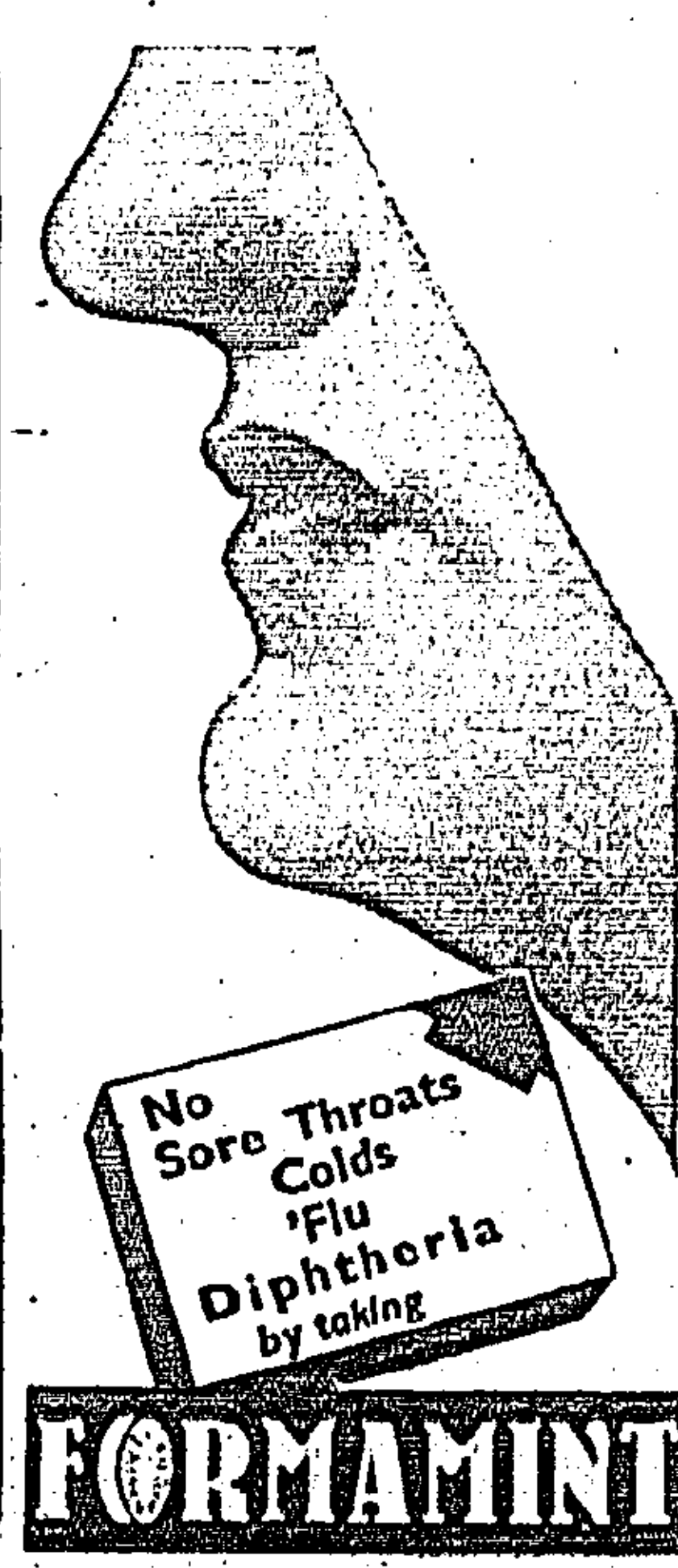
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POLITICAL SCENE DOMINATED BY DURATION OF SINO-JAPANESE WAR

Greatest Importance That Peace Should Not Be Delayed

THE POLITICAL BAROMETER is still too low to warrant a forecast of fine weather for merchants in the near future. Perhaps, said Mr. Miskin in his speech at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the catastrophe is perhaps magnified in the eyes of many.

"We shall have to wait a time for a real recovery, but the recuperative powers of both Japan and China are great and will, in due course, be sure," Mr. Miskin said.

"It is, however, of the greatest importance that peace on reasonable terms should not be long delayed. Otherwise the dislocations will be less easily repaired; there will be the danger of other countries becoming involved, while both combatants may be driven into desperate expedients which will deadlock all trade."

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Other changes in the Balance Sheet have not been very startling; Bills Payable are up about \$85 million, Current Accounts up \$51 million, while Fixed Deposits are down \$20 million.

On the other side Cash with Certificates of Indebtedness is up \$61 million, Securities up \$23 million, Bills Receivable up \$40 million, while Loans are down \$20 million.

Your Directors are very glad to be able to present to you to-day such a sound Balance Sheet and a well-earned Profit and Loss Account at such a time. All known and likely losses have been amply provided for, and in addition a moderate sum has been allocated for any possible losses which may come to light later on.

CONDITIONS IN FAR EAST

Conditions in the Far East are to-day more serious than they have ever been in the history of our Bank.

The two great nations of the Orient are at grips, grimly determined to fight it out. All the efforts made in recent years to outlaw war through treaties, pacts and covenants have broken down.

So far from intervening to bring this conflict to an end, the leading Western countries are seen aligned into groups supporting widely opposed theories of Government; watching each other intently, like boxers at the opening of their bout.

Under such conditions British interests in the Far East might well be pictured in the eyes of His Majesty's Government as only a small item in the sum total of the vast interests of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Nevertheless, the indications are that the importance of the Far Eastern question is fully realised, and very welcome was the statement issued last August, at a critical time in Shanghai, which formally promised "all possible measures to protect British lives and interests" at that point. We feel confident that when necessary and in face of every difficulty we can count on support for our legitimate interests.

Few years have seen such contrasts as the past year in China and it is a sad task to set about reviewing the political situation there during 1937. The year started so well and ended so differently.

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN

In each of the past few years your Chairmen have uttered words of warning about the dangers inherent in the unsatisfactory political relations between Japan and China.

Last year your Chairmen stated that relations with Japan dominated the political scene. He mentioned that negotiations between the two countries were when he spoke, in suspense as a result of the Sian incident when General Chiang Kai-shek was kidnapped. That affair, it now appears, was a key-point in Sino-Japanese relations. The result was an accession of strength to those Chinese who, rightly or wrongly, saw no hope of co-operation with Japan and advocated a policy of stern resistance to aggression.

The subsequent meeting of the 3rd Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee last February confirmed that line of action, which had already been made one of the main planks in the policy of the Kwangai leaders and of the Communists. From that time on it seems that the influence of those who wished for compromise and delay gradually waned. An understanding was reached with the Communists in regard to the way was prepared for action by a united China as soon as the need should arise.

You will remember that early in the year the liberal and friendly tone of the utterances of General Ito, then the Japanese Prime Minister, and of Mr. Sato, his Foreign Minister, caused a feeling of optimism in regard to the development of relations between the two countries. In China itself there were signs of stability and progress such as had not been apparent for many years. The outlook was, in fact, hopeful

though we were aware that the cloud of Sino-Japanese distrust still hovered in an ill-omened way on the horizon. It is doubtful if this cloud could have been dissipated even with the best will in the world.

An accumulation of aggravations made it almost inevitable that a storm would have to take place before the air could be cleared. But I do not propose to detain you with any comments about the causes and origins of the war (let us be frank and call it war outright). Our Bank is in a delicate position because of its interests in all parts of the Far East, and at critical times like these the old proverb "least said soonest mended" proves its aptness. The easy and rapid transmission of news from one end of the world to the other is sometimes a mixed blessing. Too many spokesmen are in fact quite as bad as too many coals.

FAR EASTERN TRADE

Let us turn from politics to trade. You all know how promising the situation was during the first half of the year. Prices were rising, the improvement in communications by rail, road and air was opening up the country more and more, the standard of living was improving owing to good crop conditions in the interior as well as the greater demand for export produce; furthermore exchange, both internal and external, had never in our time remained for so long a period with such small variations.

Proof of this satisfactory state of affairs can be seen in the Chinese Customs returns. At the end of July exports had increased 45 per cent, and imports 30 per cent, as compared with the same period in 1936. Later imports and exports of course fell off, the former more than the latter, but it is remarkable that at the end of the year the import and export figures together yet showed an increase of approximately nine per cent. over 1936.

CATASTROPHE MAGNIFIED?

The political barometer is still too low to warrant a forecast of fine weather for merchants in the near future. In Central China the channels of foreign trade are now affected as never before since the opening of the treaty ports. Yet, may I be so bold as to suggest, that for this very reason the catastrophe is perhaps magnified in the eyes of many.

If, as seems likely, the Yangtze Valley continues to suffer throughout the spring and summer, the effect on trade in general will naturally be serious, but there will be adjustments. A loss here will become a gain there, and I do not think it necessary to be too despondent.

We shall have to wait a time for a real recovery, but the recuperative powers of both Japan and China are great, and will, in due course, be sure. Even now we see how China's misfortunes are leading to developments in Western provinces which might otherwise have been unattempted for decades.

It is, however, of the greatest importance that peace on reasonable terms should not be long delayed. Otherwise the dislocations will be less easily repaired; there will be the danger of other countries becoming involved, while both combatants may be driven into desperate expedients which will deadlock all trade.

Meantime we extend our deepest sympathy to the sufferers in the war areas, where the conditions have not been paralleled since the Taiping Rebellion of some 80 years ago. Distress is also great in the foreign communities. The Lord Mayor's Mansion House Fund gave help at a most opportune moment, but further help is needed and the International Red Cross organisations at Shanghai and Hankow also deserve liberal support. I should further like to express a word of sympathy to the relations of the members of the British forces who lost their lives while serving at Shanghai, and to Sir Hugh

Kitchbull-Huggess at his misfortune in being seriously wounded when travelling from Nanking to Shanghai on official duty.

CHINA'S FINANCES

At a time like the present for obvious reasons it is impossible for those outside Government circles to make any reliable statement of the currency and financial position of China, or for that matter of Japan.

Warlike conditions prevail and must be faced with a realisation of the dislocations which they mean. However, due credit must be given to those who have directed China's foreign exchange market during the year. Stability has been maintained, and in fact during the early part of the year, as threats of unorthodox financial experiments were warding off, the new currency gained strength and merchants showed increasing confidence.

There was, of course, valuable co-operation on the part of foreign banks. Moreover, a number of factors assisted towards equilibrium in the balance of payments: commodity prices were still rising; there had been two years of bumper crops; internal conditions were quieter than for some time; the opening-up of the country was increasing the circulation of banknotes; and modern lines of a Central Reserve Bank were well advanced, and a fresh attempt at budget control had been initiated.

Such was the situation when in July the first signs of a serious conflict were seen. In August, when the fighting broke out at Shanghai and bombs fell in the business centre of the Settlement, it was necessary to take steps to prevent a panic, so restrictions were placed on the withdrawal of deposits in the Chinese banks. These measures were supplemented by what is known as the Wei-Wah or blocked currency system, which permitted the constituents of the Chinese Banks to transfer funds from one blocked account to another by means of Wei-Wah cheques or orders. This proved effective in preventing any large-scale panic and the currency though it was subjected to pressure for some time. Gradually the demand for foreign currencies declined appreciably and at the end of the year the problem was no longer so serious.

SHIPMENTS OF SILVER

China's interest in silver remains dependent on its conversion into a currency reserve fund in gold or foreign exchange. Thus, during the year large amounts of silver were shipped from Hongkong to foreign countries on account of China. Last summer Dr. H. H. Kung made an arrangement with Mr. Morgenthau for the re-marketing of gold against Chinese silver. This was supplemented by an agreement of May 1937 under which the United States Treasury had already arranged to purchase regular and substantial amounts of silver from China and to provide facilities in United States dollar exchange for currency stabilisation purposes.

No official figures are available to show what funds in gold or foreign exchange are held by the Chinese Government, and while abnormal conditions prevail we can hardly expect progress to be made in the publication of reliable statistics.

FOREIGN DEBTS

At the beginning of 1937 the Chinese Government was still negotiating for a readjustment of certain foreign debts in arrears. In April the London Bondholders Committee, constituted to deal with such questions, recommended the acceptance of terms for a settlement of the Hukwang Railway Loan similar to those already adopted in readjustment of the Tientsin Railway Loans. Two United States dollar loans were also put on a new basis, namely the Chicago Bank Loan and the Pacific Development Corporation Loan, both dating from 1919. Furthermore, the good work of settling up certain long outstanding advances and material debts to Government departments proceeded satisfactorily.

The conclusion of agreements regarding the Chinese Government loans in default and the improved outlook in China to which I have already referred, had a favourable effect on Chinese bonds quoted on the London Stock Exchange and it was thought, early in the year, that it might shortly be possible to bridge the hiatus in the London issues of Chinese loans which had existed since the Reorganisation Loan of 1915. The Minister of Railways first initiated discussions regarding the possible notation of loans for new railway construction in China.

Subsequently, when Dr. Kung was in London for the Coronation ceremonies, negotiations for the building of a railway across the border from Kwangtung to Moikien were in progress. At the same time Dr. Kung also broached the subject of a loan to be used partly to provide additional assistance in the stabilisation of the Chinese currency and partly for the refunding of a portion of the domestic debt. We were consulted about this matter but no agreement was reached. We were, and are, bound by the agreement of 1920 between the International Consortium Group of banks, so we naturally sought the views of the other groups in regard to both these projects. They of course had to be left in abeyance

Lasting Prosperity Cannot Come to H.K. Without China's Aid

The difficulties of the Shanghai problem are immense, but they deserve the close attention of the Powers whose responsibility it is to obtain at any rate a satisfactory *modus vivendi* if an agreement on a permanent basis cannot be found just yet.

Hongkong has been fortunate in that the misfortunes of China have not so far had any ill-effects on the Colony. It is, however, certain that for real and lasting prosperity the Colony must rely upon normal and sound trading conditions in China, and the present struggle is therefore being watched with much anxiety.—Mr. G. Miskin, addressing Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation this morning.

when the Sino-Japanese conflict commenced.

BUOYANT CUSTOMS REVENUE

The Chinese Customs Revenue in 1937 amounted to no less than \$342 millions, an increase of \$18 million over 1936, thanks to the excellent start given in the first 7 months of the year.

You are aware that negotiations are proceeding in regard to the Customs tariff and administration in the areas controlled by the Japanese forces. It is hardly necessary for me to emphasize how important it is that the Customs Administration should remain as now constituted, and continue to be the sole instrument controlling Customs affairs throughout the whole country.

The present administrative system has weathered political upheavals and civil strife over many years and the maintenance of its existing status and credit is unquestionably to the advantage of both China and Japan, in order that in due course the re-financing and rehabilitation of the country may proceed smoothly.

I am glad to say that repeated assurances have been given by the Japanese that the foreign loans will be respected.

Sir Frederick Maze is in a difficult position. He is an official of the Chinese Government, but as Custodian of the revenue earmarked for the service of important foreign loans he has certain responsibilities which are of an international nature. Bondholders of all countries look to him to steer a course between strongly conflicting currents. We are confident that with his customary tact and political sagacity he is doing his utmost to preserve the integrity of this important administration. As an international trustee he deserves international support. The foreign powers have in the past brought their influence to bear under similar circumstances and they are, we understand, doing so now, particularly as the retention of the "Open Door" in China depends a good deal on the continued existence of an internationalised Customs Administration such as exists at the present time.

SALT REVENUE

The Salt Revenue in 1937 is reported to have been very much the same as in 1936 owing to further increased taxation, but the Salt Administration has unfortunately failed to maintain its control over the North China Salt areas.

This Administration has been in the situation of an ugly duckling alongside the favoured Customs, and has therefore been rather neglected by its foster parents, the international powers. Nevertheless, it is important that the Customs and Salt should be treated on an equivalent basis, as the arguments used in the one case apply also in the other. The outstanding foreign loans secured on the Salt Revenue require a comparatively modest annual remittance of funds and the revenues collected should continue to be ample for these requirements.

It is satisfactory to be able to note that, in spite of the war, the National Government has continued regularly to pay the foreign loan obligations secured on the Customs, Salt and Railways.

STATUS OF SHANGHAI

Before I pass on to deal with other countries in which we operate, you will expect me to say something about Shanghai since its status is likely to be a prominent subject once again in coming months.

This is a matter which in of very great importance to all foreign business interests in Shanghai. We have seen the neutrality of a part of the international Settlement violated during the recent fighting, and we have probably have been avoided if intervention had taken place in the early stages and thereby much loss of life and property might have been saved.

The value of the existing Settlement regime cannot be questioned; one has only to visualize the situation had there been no Settlement at all to get

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Chartered Bank, £123½ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £29 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.
East Asia Bank, \$95 n.

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Canton Ins., \$202½ b.
Union Ins., \$515 b. and sa.
China Underwriters, \$140 b.
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Douglas, \$550 n.
H.K. Steamships, \$114 n.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$43 n.
Shell Bearer, \$370 n.
Union Waterboats, \$9.30 b.

Docks etc.

H.K. & K. Wharves, \$120 b.
H.K. Wharves, \$294 n.
Provident (old), \$2.00 b.
Provident (new), 90 cts. b. and sa.
New Engineering, Sh. \$24 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$90½ n.
Kallian Mining Adm., 15/6 n.
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Antamoks, P. 60 sa.
Atoks, P. 28 sa.
Baguio Gold, P. 24 sa.
Benguet Consol., P. 9.00 sa.
Benguet Explor., P. 10 sa.
Big Wedge, P. 10 sa.
Coco Grove, P. 68 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. 111 sa.
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H.K. Lands, 4½ Deben, \$100 n.
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Yau-mai Ferries (old), \$25.35 n.
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China Light (new), 33½ b.
H.K. Electric, \$50½ b.
Macao Electric, \$10½ b.
Sandakan Lights, \$14½ b.
Telephone (old), \$20½ b.
Telephone (new), \$9.70 b.
China Buses, Sh. —
Singapore Traction, 23/- n.
Singapore Prof., 23/6 n.

Industrials

Cald. Macg. (old), Sh. \$14½ n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$15 n.
Canton Tees, \$1.70 n.
Cement, \$14.00 b. and sa.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.60 n.

Agriculture

Dairy Farm, \$26 b.
Watsons, \$6½ sa.
Lane Crawfords, \$8½ b.
Sinceres, \$1.00 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$39 n.
William Powell, Ltd. 65 cts. n.

Cotton Mills

Evo Cottons, Sh. \$12½ n.
Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$70 sa. n.
Zong Sing, Sh. —
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —

Miscellaneous

H.K. Entertainments, \$0.25 n.
Constructions, \$1½ b.
Vibro Piling, \$6 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.Bds. 68½ n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 24½ prn. n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan par n.
Wallace Harpers, \$3½ b.
Marsmans Ins., (Lon.), 8/- 18/0 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.), 8/- 17/0 b.

EXCHANGE

Selling

T.T. London 1s. 2½
Demand 1s. 2½
T.T. Shanghai 104½
T.T. Singapore 52½
T.T. Japan 109½
T.T. India 102
T.T. U.S.A. 02
T.T. Manila 02½
T.T. Batavia 55½
T.T. Bangkok 140½
T.T. Saigon 04½
T.T. France 0.50
T.T. Germany 70½
T.T. Switzerland 133½
T.T. Australia 1/0½

Buying

4 m/s L/c London 1/3½
4 m/s D/P do. 1/3½/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A. 31½
4 m/s France 10.10
30 d/s Indian 63½
U.S. Cross rate in London 5.02

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

Hongkong Benevolent Society

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, March 4, at 12 noon.

His Honour, Sir Atholl MacGregor will preside.

NOTICE

Hornea Charles Pratt, late of Stanley Prison, in the Colony of Hong Kong, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all claims against the estate of the above named deceased must be submitted to the Supt. of Prisons on or before the 11th day of March, 1938.

F. A. HOPKINS, Superintendent of Prisons.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 11th March, 1938, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 4th March, 1938, to Friday, the 11th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNEL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1938.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 26th February, 1938, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1937.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 14th February to Saturday, the 26th February, 1938, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1938.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of March, 1938, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1937, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 28th February to 9th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1938.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE, Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.



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NOTICE.

Practice Black-out on February 28th, 1938.

Directions in regard to use of head-lamps on motor vehicles.

The Commissioner of Police draws special attention to Regulation 5 of the Temporary Regulations under the Lighting Control Ordinance, 1936, published in the Government Gazette of the 18th day of February, 1938.

The regulations will be in force from 7 P.M. to 11 P.M. on 28th February, 1938.

Regulation 5 is as follows:—

"The following restrictions on the use of lights on vehicles shall be observed:—

(1) Except in accordance with such directions as the Commissioner of Police may give under this regulation, the use of head lamps on all vehicles is prohibited. "Head lamp" means a lamp, in which the diameter of the front glass exceeds 4½ inches.

(2) No light shall be shown from any moving vehicle except (a) to the front, a white or yellow light from not more than two lamps;

(b) to the rear, a red light from not more than one lamp. Two lights to the front and one to the rear are compulsory for motor vehicles.

No rear "stop" light and no direction indicator of any kind showing a light shall be used.

Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the use, in trams and omnibuses only, of interior lights reduced in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4).

(3) No light whatever shall be shown from any stationary vehicle except a tram or an omnibus, and then only while it is stopped for so long as may be necessary to pick up or discharge passengers in the course of its regular service.

(4) The lights of trams and omnibuses must be reduced as the Commissioner of Police may direct.

(5) In the case of all other vehicles—

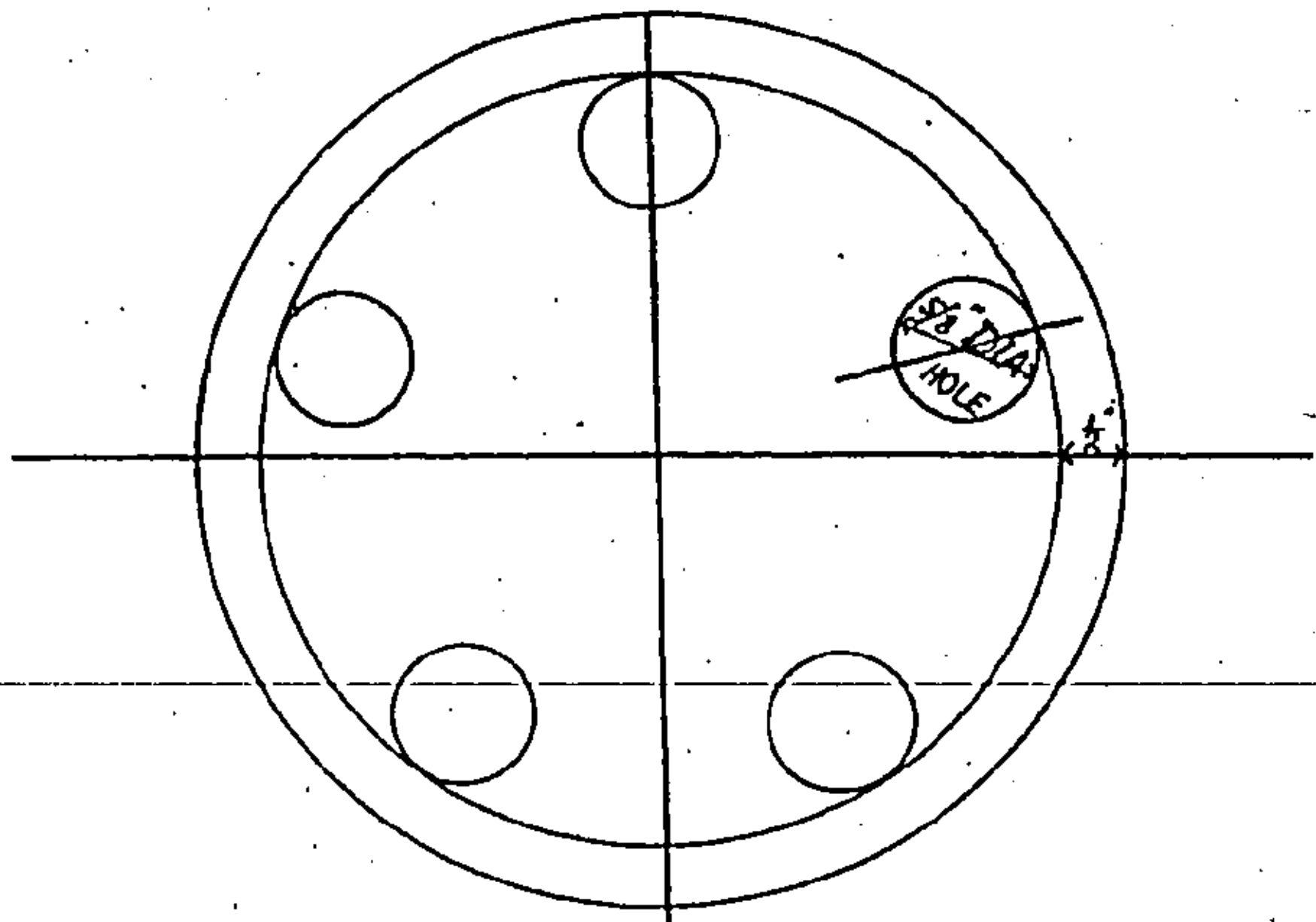
(a) only electric or oil lamps shall be used;

(b) no lamp of a power exceeding six candle-power shall be used;

(c) the front glasses of all lamps in use must be obscured with at least one thickness of ordinary white or yellow tissue paper or with white or yellow paint, colourwash or material so that the obscuring effect is not less than that of one thickness of ordinary white tissue paper. The paper, paint or material must cover the whole of the portion of the front glass through which light can pass and must not be treated in any way so as to increase its transparency. This regulation shall not apply to any vehicle in use on emergency duty for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes.

The use of head lamps on motor vehicles which have no side lamps will be permitted only if (1) such head lamps are fitted with a disc constructed and attached as follows:—

(a) The disc must be made of completely opaque material, must fit near to the front glass of the lamp (inside the lamp if desired) and must cover it so as to prevent the passage of light except through the holes cut as provided in the following diagram.



(b) The holes in the disc must be covered with at least one thickness of ordinary white or yellow tissue paper.

(2) In the head lamp no lamp-bulb of a power exceeding six candle-power is used.

T. H. KING,

Commissioner of Police.

21st February, 1938,
Hong Kong.

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CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Parade Service
At Shamshuipo

LIST OF SERVICES

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hongkong (opposite the Royal Naval Hospital).

Sunday Services, February 27.

Preacher: Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

Morning Parade Service at Shamshuipo at 8.15.

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 at the English Methodist Church—Hymns 2, 414, 615, 420, 157.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. at the English Methodist Church—Hymns 689, 524, 470, 607.

Notices for the Week

1. Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at 8.15. Refreshments are provided at minimum charges. All servicemen and civilians are warmly welcomed.

2. The Badminton Club meets on Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from the Secretary of the "S. & S. Home."

3. There will be a meeting of prayer on Tuesday, March 1 in the Chaplain's Room of the "S. & S. Home."

There will be a meeting of the Ladies Church Aid on Wednesday, March 2, at 10.30 a.m. in the "S. & S. Home."

5. Preliminary Notice. A Grand Concert is to be given on behalf of the Home by the Hong Kong Singers in the theatre of the China Fleet Club on Wednesday, March 3. Kindly book the date. The concert is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency the Commander in Chief, His Excellency, General Officer Commanding. Booking opens at the Anderson Music Co., Ltd., on March 1, 1938.

6. The Monthly Dance will be held at the "Soldiers' & Sailors' Home" on Friday, March 4, at 8.30 p.m. The charge is one dollar. The Band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance by kind permission of Major H. D. K. Money, Band President.

UNION CHURCH

Jumble Sale to be Held
Next Month

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Union Church, Kennedy Road:

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher at both services: Rev. K. MacKenzie Dow.

The Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m.

A Jumble sale will be held in the Church Hall on March 25 at 2.30 p.m. Contributions will be gratefully received at the Church Hall.

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ,
Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, February 27, will be "Christ Jesus."

The Golden Text will be: "We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." (II Cor. 4:5).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and upon his Kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. (Isa. 9:2 and 6, 11, 2.)

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The advent of Jesus of Nazareth marked the first century of the Christian era, but the Christ is without beginning of years or end of days. Throughout all generations both before and after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spiritual idea, the reflection of God—has come with some measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive Christ, Truth, Abraham, Jacob, Moses and the prophets caught glorious glimpses of the Messiah, or Christ, which embodied these seeds in the divine nature, the essence of Love. The divine image, idea, or Christ, was, is, and ever will be inseparable from the divine Principle, God." (Page 333).

Announcement

First Church of Christ Scientist, Hongkong, a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., has announced that the Trinitarian Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. The Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Certainty Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. A Reading Room is located at Bank of East Asia Building, 10 Des Voeux Road Central, and is open daily 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays 10.30 a.m.—1.30 p.m. Evening except Wednesdays and Saturdays 7.30 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the service and to visit the Reading Room.



Herbert Marshall and Greta Garbo in "The Painted Veil" showing now at the King's Theatre.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan and Formosa	Hakozaki Maru	February 26
Shanghai and Swatow	Nagasaki Maru	February 26
Calcutta and Straits	Sulung	February 26
Straits	Anhui	February 27
Japan and Shanghai	Gneisenau	February 27
Hulphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Szechuen	February 27
Shanghai and Amoy	Tainan	February 27
Straits	Aeneas	February 28
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th February	Imperial Airways Plane	February 28
Japan	Kumsang	February 28
Japan	Delagoa Maru	March 1
Shanghai	Glenapp	March 1
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	March 1
Straits	Atrous	March 2
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	March 2
Suigon	Marchal Joffre	March 2

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Formosa and Japan	Hakusan Maru Sat., Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, *E. & *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 25th March	Reg., Feb. 26, 4.15 p.m.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 7th March	Reg., Feb. 26, 4.30 p.m.	
Manila, *Straits, *Ceylon, *India, Gneisenau only via Hamburg	Reg., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
Amoy and Foochow (via Amoy)	Reg., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 7th March	Reg., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	
Air Mail for Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Darwin, 5th March	Reg., Feb. 26, 5 p.m.	

Sunday

*Swatow and Shanghai	Kayling	Sun., Feb. 27, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hatching	Sun., Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Yingchow	Sun., Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Suigon	Gustav Diederichsen	Sun., Feb. 27, 9 a.m.

Monday

Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Mon., Feb. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Air Mail for Siam, Laos and Burma via Bangkok	Reg., Mon., Feb. 28, 8.30 a.m.	
Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (No further points by surface transport as services permit)	Reg., Mon., Feb. 28, 9.00 a.m.	
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Chakrang	Mon., Feb. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	Mon., Feb. 28, 11 a.m.
Straits and Parrels only for Germany via Hamburg	Oder	Mon., Feb. 28, 4.30 p.m.
Japan	Suisan	Mon., Feb. 28, 6 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "N.A.C. Airways Direct Service"	Reg., Mon., Feb. 28, 5 p.m.	
	Reg., Mon., Feb. 28, 5 p.m.	
	Reg., Mon., Feb. 28, 5 p.m.	

Tuesday

Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Ninghai	Tues., Mar. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 5th March	Reg., Tues., Mar. 1, 8 a.m.	
	Reg., Tues., Mar. 1, 9 a.m.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 9th March	Reg., Tues., Mar. 1, 8 a.m.	
	Reg., Tues., Mar. 1, 9 a.m.	
Kongmoon	On Lee	Tues., Mar. 1, 10 a.m.
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjalak	Tues., Mar. 1, 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Aeneas	Tues., Mar. 1, 1.30 p.m.
Hulphong	Canton	Tues., Mar. 1, 2 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Feb. 24	Feb. 25
Paris	164½	153.25/32
Geneva	21.59½	21.59½
Berlin	12.39¾	12.40½
Athens	547½	547½
Milan	95½	95½
Oslo	10.00	10.00
Copenhagen	22.40	22.40
Stockholm	10.40½	10.41
Helsingfors	22.05	22.05
Shanghai	1/2½	1/2½
New York	8.01½	8.02
Vienna	20½	20½
Amsterdam	8.00½	8.00½
Prague	142½	142½
Madrid	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon	110½	110½
Hongkong	1/6½	1/6½
Bombay	5.01½	5.01½
Montreal	29.55½	29.55½
Buenos Aires	1/2.63/64	1/1.63/64
Belgrade	210	216½
Bucharest	677½	677½

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

SECONDER VOICES APPRECIATION
OF BANK'S SHAREHOLDERS

(Continued from Page 3.)
The rumours spread from America last April, that the price of gold was likely to be reduced, had immediate repercussions of an adverse nature on the Philippine Islands and Malaya. The former was also affected by the labour troubles in America and, as in fact happened generally throughout the world, in Malaya the last quarter of 1937 gave a slight set-back to the satisfactory conditions reported prior to that time.

In the Philippines increases in revenue and trade throughout the year reflect the prosperous state of the Islands, but the unexpected statement made by President Quezon last March in regard to putting forward the date of complete independence had an unsteady effect. An early solution of this problem is a very desirable. The trade situation is, generally speaking, good, and there is optimism about the future of mining.

Our Bank has faced many difficult periods in the twenty-three years of its existence and has seen many vicissitudes in China.
A few months ago, our Shanghai Manager, Mr. A. S. Henchman, commented that he found it extremely difficult to see the wood for the trees. He was trying to take a long view and I think you will agree that it is not easy for us at the present moment to see clearly through the dense forest of gloom in which China and Japan stand. On both sides there are dangerous tendencies and pitfalls. We must move warily, keeping our eyes open, ready to welcome and take advantage of the first ray of light.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT WATCHFUL
It is helpful and cheering to feel that His Majesty's Government are keenly observing political events over here and are prepared to support British interests as and when necessary. Trade can flourish only when confidence and enterprise go hand in hand. If the policy of His Majesty's Government engenders confidence, then the Far Eastern merchant can be trusted to show enterprise.
As an instance I should like to draw attention to the initiative and enterprise displayed during these critical months by the two leading shipping firms on the China coast and Yangtze River—Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. and Butterfield & Swire—whose staffs, in gallantly accepting their services operating, have set a fine example, worthy of the best traditions of the British mercantile marine.

OUTLOOK CHEERLESS
At the present moment the outlook is cheerless and it is easy to become depressed at the prospect of a long series of difficulties in China, but I have tried to show you reasons for not regarding the future with too much pessimism.

Foreign trade in the Far East has more than anywhere been built up by enterprise and by a readiness to face with courage and unflinching determination the obscure and unknown situations. I am confident that the British will lead the way in tackling the new problems and the changed conditions which we are likely to see over here during the next few years. As for the Bank, it can be counted on to do its rightful share.

One last word. I think you will all agree that we owe our appreciation and thanks to the members of the Staff who have worked in China throughout the past year. In each China-port where we have branches there have been critical moments and difficult occasions which have in every case been faced with courage and ability. I feel you can rest assured that your interests are in good hands.

With these remarks, ladies and gentlemen, I beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented, and after they have been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any question that may be asked, to the best of my ability.

COOLIE HURT IN FALL

While working on board the steamer Friedland yesterday, Yeung Ngan, 57, a coolie, fell from a height of 15 feet and suffered a fractured left thigh. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

FATNESS WAS IN
THE FAMILYBut Mother and Daughter
Both Reduced

One sometimes hears it said: "She'll run to fat like her mother," and it is true that fatness often runs in families. But nowadays, overweight mothers are generally just as unwilling as their daughters to remain fat. Certainly that was true in the case of this mother and her daughter. The latter published below tells what they did—
"This is to say that I have reduced from 10 stone 3 lbs. to 8 stone 4 lbs. through taking half a teaspoonful of Kruschen Salts daily, and my mother has reduced from 11 stone 4 lbs. down to 10 stone 1 lb. We started in real earnest about three months ago. I cut out my cup of tea at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., and mother cut out fried foods. As regards exercise, we just took daily walks. We will never be without Kruschen Salts in future, as they have proved a real remedy."
Kruschen combats the cause of fat by assisting the internal organs to throw off each day those waste products and poisons which, if allowed to accumulate, will be converted by the body's chemistry into fatty tissue.

BANK AS LIGHTHOUSE
IN TROUBLED SEAS
OF FAR EAST TRADE

—Mr. S. T. Williamson

MR. S. T. WILLIAMSON seconded the motion that the Report and Accounts be approved. It was adopted unanimously.

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock proposed that the Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson, Mr. G. Miskin and Mr. A. L. Shields be re-elected Directors. Mr. Chua Seng-choo seconded and the motion was adopted.

Mr. P. C. Cassidy proposed that Mr. John Fleming and Mr. H. R. Forsyth be re-elected Auditors. Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie seconded and the motion was carried.

The following were present at the meeting: Mr. G. Miskin (Chairman), The Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson (Deputy Chairman), Mr. J. K. Bousfield, Mr. A. H. Compton, Hon. Mr. S. H. Bodwell, Mr. J. R. Masson, Mr. K. S. Morrison, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. A. L. Shields (Directors); Sir Vandeleur M. Grayburn, (Chief Manager); Messrs. A. S. Adamson, J. M. Alves, H. J. Armstrong, P. S. Cassidy, Chua Seng-choo, Chan Shu-ming, N. V. A. Croucher, R. A. Dastur, J. R. Fleming, H. R. Forsyth, Fung Kong-un, Fung Minter, H. R. B. Hancock, H. S. Hills, Ho Wing, H. Owen-Hughes, J. H. Jessen, L. Kadoorie, Dr. F. H. Kew, Messrs. L. M. S. Lloyd, Lo Kai-wing, A. N. Macfadyen, Mr. A. Morris, Mr. A. Morse, Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., Messrs. S. H. Ross, F. W. Stapleton, D. V. Stevenson, J. A. Tarrant, G. G. N. Tinson, A. H. Vaswani and Wong Ping-sun (Shareholders).

In rising to second the motion Mr. S. T. Williamson said:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen—It is with pleasure that I rise to support the Report and Accounts as presented, and feel sure that I am voicing the wishes of Shareholders in expressing our appreciation to those at the helm of this great Financial Institution which stands out as a lighthouse in the troubled sea of Far Eastern commerce to-day.

The Chairman's Speech has been of a most comprehensive nature covering in detail the trend of Eastern Trade and leaves nothing calling for further comment, and I feel certain that it will be eagerly awaited by financial interests all over the world and be foremost in the important Far Eastern reviews of the year.

The result of the year's working must be considered to be highly satisfactory, especially when it is noted that a profit of over fifteen million dollars is shown after paying all charges and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts and contingencies, which certainly is a magnificent showing under existing conditions.

Heavy clouds still make their appearance on the financial horizon, owing to the unfortunate clash between the two great Powers with whom we are so closely associated in Eastern Trade—there has already been an appalling loss of life and much misery, to say nothing of the huge expenditures and the heavy loss of trade. It is obvious that wars or incidents will undoubtedly have their serious repercussions and complications, and it is to be hoped that those controlling the destiny of these ancient Empires will be able to arrive at an early solution of their differences.

Your remarks, covering the Customs, Salt Administration and Railway Administrations which are so deeply woven into the financial fabric of China, are especially interesting, and it is pleasing to note that assurances have been given regarding these interests which are so international in character. With you, we do realise the heavy responsibility placed on the shoulders of Sir Frederick Maze, and we sincerely hope that he will be able safely to pilot all the international interests involved to a successful issue.

CHINA COAST HANDS

I am particularly pleased to note your reference to those who "go down to the sea in ships"; there are also many others serving on this coast, and those mentioned by you, and one and all have faced their arduous duties in a manner which certainly upholds the highest traditions of the Mercantile Marine and deserve the greatest appreciation of us all.

I well remember our Chief Manager stating at the opening ceremony of this building over two years ago that the Bank up to that time had found nothing too small or too large to deal with; subsequent events have proved with a vengeance that there was a great deal more than the ordinary banking facilities necessary to meet the abnormal conditions recently experienced, and we do realise the courageous manner in which Sir Vandeleur Grayburn has dealt with all matters appertaining to the successful carrying on of trade in its varying degrees. We are especially pleased that His Majesty the King bestowed upon him the honour of Knighthood which we feel was so richly deserved—we know that he is proceeding at an early date to England on a well earned holiday after his strenuous labours, and our best wishes will go with him.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I now formally second the adoption of accounts as presented, and in doing so I wish to express

our thanks to the Board of Directors, the Chief Manager and his very able Staff, and I cannot let this opportunity pass without stating that we fully realise and appreciate all Mr. A. S. Henchman, our Shanghai Manager, and all those serving in China, have been able to accomplish in the way of safe-guarding our interests in the face of danger of every description.

17 Seized In
Night RaidsRevenue Men Arrest
Narcotic Suspects

Lightning raids on heroin dens were made last night in Yau-mat by the Revenue Department, which carries out its most important work at a time when most of the Colony is asleep, evening relaxation or is enjoying its morning tea.

Chief Preventive Officer W. J. Buller and Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit made successful descents on addresses in Temple Street and Wengung Street in consequence of which 17 defendants appeared before Mr. C. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Over 30,000 pills, a quantity of illicit opium, 157 heroin pipes and a considerable amount of paraphernalia had been seized.

In asking for a week's remand in all the cases, S. R. O. Grimmit said they were to be dealt with summarily.

Concerning an alleged heroin pill factory in Shanghai Street, which had also been raided last night by Mr. Grimmit, in company with Revenue Officer J. L. Stephens, Chan Choi, 25, and Lo Hing, 39, were similarly remanded for a week on a charge of possession. Their case will be taken for committal, as about 50,000 heroin pills were alleged to have been found on the premises. Bail was set at \$10,000 each.

NEW MEDICAL
PRACTITIONERS
GAZETTED

Four new names have been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners entitled to practice Medicine in Hongkong, according to this morning's Government Gazette.

They are Dr. Yu Siao-dong, who qualified at the Tokyo Women's Medical College of Japan in 1929; Dr. Luis Curti, Doctor of Medicine and Surgery of the University of Rome; Dr. Roy Mar, Member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Province of Manitoba; and Dr. M. P. M. Itoh, who graduated as Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at the University of Hongkong in January this year.

H.K. UNIVERSITY
"GRADS" MEET

Graduates and past students of the University of Hongkong recently held their annual dinner and meeting in Singapore.

Among the guests were Dr. Lim Boon Keng and Mr. Parkes C. Kwang, Manager of the Bank of China.

After the dinner a sum of about \$450 was raised for the China Relief Fund.

The officials for the current year are: President, Dr. Lim Eng Hae; Hon. Secretary, Dr. Ivy Tong; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Chan Kul Chuan.

Philippines
To Sell Oil
To SoconyRight Of Exploitation
Asked Of Assembly

Manila, Feb. 26.
President Manuel Quezon has sent a message to the Assembly recommending approval of a contract with the Standard Oil Company for the exploitation of large areas in 13 Philippine provinces at the company's expense.
It is understood the company has informally approved of the contract and the Assembly's approval is virtually certain. It will be effective for 25 years, and renewable for an additional 25 years, the company getting 87½ per cent. of production until it reaches 2,000,000 barrels of oil per annum, after which the Philippine Government will claim 20 per cent.

The contract specifies that the company will build a refinery in the Philippines and will deposit \$250,000 as evidence of good faith. Permits will be given to other companies to exploit outside the American company's areas.—United Press.

SINGAPORE TO
H.K. FARES TO
BE REDUCED

In an effort to obtain cheaper passenger fares between Hongkong and Malaya, Chinese lodging houses in Singapore have formed the Hotel and Travel Service Union, which will charter steamers to run between this Colony and the Straits Settlements, charging lower fares than those ruling at present.
It is reported that the new organisation has completed negotiations with the Norway-Nanchang Navigation Company of Hongkong, and that the steamer Halibon will begin service shortly.

BATTERIES TO FIRE
AT SEA TARGETS

Military firing practice will be carried out from D'Arville on Monday, Thursday and Friday next week, commencing at 9 a.m.

March 7 has also been set aside as an alternative date, should firing on either Thursday or Friday be impracticable.

Masters of vessels and pilots of aircraft are warned by the military authorities to assist in the carrying out of the firing practice by hastening through the firing area affected, or by consenting to be towed out of the firing area, if necessary, by any vessel acting under the orders of the authorities.

Firing practice will also be carried out from Pakhawan Battery between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to-morrow. Firing Area "A" will be affected in this practice.



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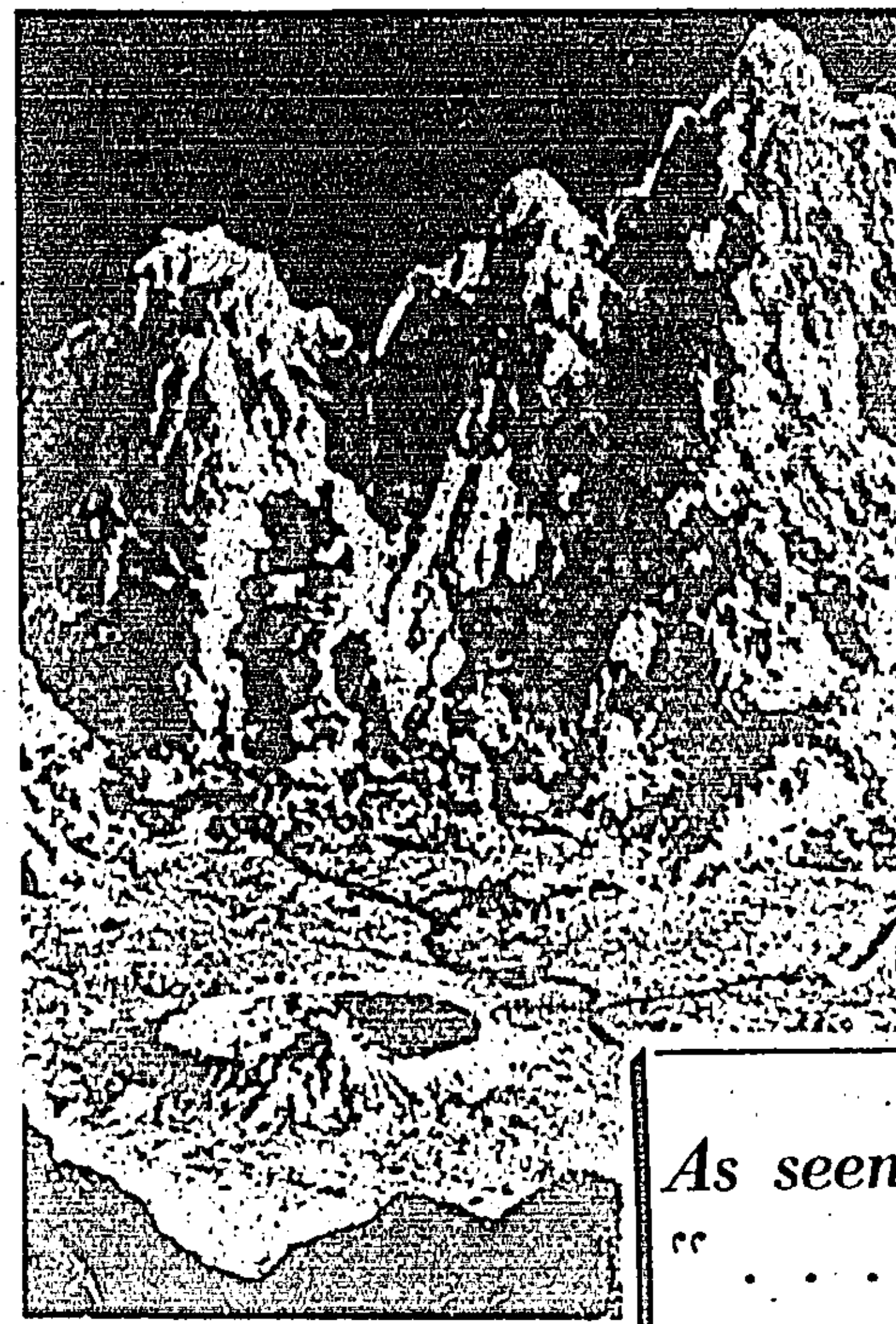
JAPAN GROWS RESTIVE

When Washington news-
papers express the opinion that
discontent is widespread in
Japan they may have strong
reasons for it. To some extent,
perhaps, the wish is father to
the thought; but there is no
doubt that certain elements in
the Japanese Diet are restless.
Their restiveness cannot be
wholly due to the slow progress
of Japanese armies in their cam-
paign on the mainland. For
actually, the Japanese successes
have been, or should have been,
sufficient to satisfy the most
ambitious.

It is all to China's advantage
if the critics of military tactics
cry loudly for more victories and
a deeper penetration of the
Chinese republic, however, for
their demands may result on a
speeding up of operations in spite
of the necessity for caution; and
generals may be inclined to
sacrifice—safe—communications
and sound consolidation for the
reckless sort of warfare which
pleases the public because it is
spectacular.

It is not known with any cer-
tainly why General Matsui was
recalled from China. It is
possible that he was removed
from command because of his
outspoken hostility to protracted
negotiations over the fate of the
Chinese Customs revenue. It is
possible that he was wanted for
some other work. Or it may be
that in Japan, as with other
nations at war, politics play a
not unimportant part in appoint-
ments in high places, and
General Matsui has been "axed"
like other able men in other
armies. Here again, whatever
the cause, the effect is not de-
trimental to China; for there
must be a certain amount of
anxiety among Japanese when
they consider that the general
whose armies have been adver-
tised as invincible and whose
casualties infinitesimal as com-
pared to those of his op-
ponents, has been suddenly
recalled. It is not unreasonable
to suppose that they may won-
der whether the picture is as
bright as it has been painted:
whether the newspapers in
Japan tell the whole story;
whether the army's and navy's
spokesmen are quite accurate
when they tell of Japanese air
raids which destroyed scores of
Chinese planes without the loss
of a single one of the attacking
force.

The impregnable Japanese air
defences have been broken, and
Chinese planes have reached
Formosa. On one side—the
Japanese—the casualties are
minimised and the impression is
given that the bombing raid was
a complete failure insofar as
military objectives were con-
cerned. The Chinese state that
they destroyed a number of air-
craft and important fixtures at
the base they attacked. This
discrepancy is relatively unim-
portant. What does count—



As seen through the telescope
" . . . A world torn by the
impact of great meteorites . . .
canyons where you would
freeze to death . . . "

I HAD to climb a high
step-ladder to see it.
But when I had climb-
ed this step-ladder in a back
garden in South London I
saw something that only a
handful of men in the world
had seen.

It was a new star—a *Nova*—
and the step-ladder led to the
eyepiece of the great 20in. re-
flecting telescope with which
Dr. W. H. Stevenson, Fellow
and past President of the Royal
Astronomical Society, carries
out his nightly researches.

A pin-point of reddish light,
this was the new star which had
sent a ripple of excitement
through the ranks of astro-
nomers when it was discovered,
a few days before, by the
Swedish observer, Nils Tamm.

A sudden, stupendous explo-
sion of gases, many hundreds
of years ago, in those far confines
of the universe, and now the
rent star had just flared out
redly in the fields of our tele-
scopes.

THE "VERY IDEA"

ALL IS NOT GOLD-FISH THAT GOES INTO THE FRYING-PAN

By EDDIE "FISHFACE" KELLY

A READER of the *South China Morning Post* wants to know how to
bring up gold-fish.

He should have written to us. Let us tell you that anything we don't
know about gold-fish, the gold-fish don't know about it either.

and must be recognised by the
Japanese authorities—is the
moral effect of this piercing of
the Japanese inner defences by
a daring Chinese squadron. It
does not matter that the raiders
were led by an American and
that Russians and other Euro-
peans probably took part. The
fact is that Japanese citizens
will not feel themselves so
secure, for already the air raid
alarms have sounded in many
cities in Japan and whole dis-
tricts have been warned of an
approaching enemy raider. It
is not too much to say that few
Japanese ever expected this sort
of treatment at the hands of the
Chinese.

Here, then, are a few of the
reasons why Japan's politicians
may be restive and why there
are indications of discontent in
the country. The symptoms
mean that the Japanese are
awakening to the fact that the
war in China is not exactly a
series of manoeuvres and easy
victories and that they may
have to pay dearly for the land
they have seized in Asia. But
they do not mean that a poli-
tical upheaval is imminent, and
that is what Washington papers
seem to imply.

Our missus and us, we once sat up all night with
a sick gold-fish. Whooping cough was the trouble.

We did everything in our power, but the Grim Reaper claim-
ed our little Jim, and he passed over the Great Divide with one
faint, final whoop.

Our wife, with the desperate insolence borne of grief, turn-
ed to us and said: "I told you that rum you gave him wouldn't
do him any good."

WE just glanced at her and left the room. It was months be-
fore we would speak to her again.

We now pursue our studies alone. We have watched the
fish through its life span.

Cradled it through birth, nur-
sed it through the anxious stages
of adolescence when its charac-
ter was being formed, watched
it grow bigger and bigger until
it got curvaceous to the spine
swimming around the bowl.

We saw it develop the home
instinct as it reached its teens.
One female gold-fish we had
climbed out of the water every
day to polish the outside of the
bowl.

Before the missus left us
after our quarrel about little

I VISIT the MOON By Roderick Morison

A Double Star

EASTWARD the big
cylinder swung. "I
am going to show you a double
star," said Dr. Stevenson.

I misheard him. "Devil
star?" I queried.

He laughed. "Devil star?"
Yes, I'll show you the Devil Star.
It happens to be a double star
as well."

And in a moment I was look-
ing at Algol—the "Ghoul" or
"Demon Star"—which excited
superstitious wonder in the
minds of the ancients because it
waxed and waned eternally.

Algol still loses and regains
three-fifths of its light once in
about 70 hours, but we know
now that the Demon has an in-
visible companion which, cir-
cling round it, partly eclipses it
every three days.

"Now for a good-looking dou-
ble star," said the astronomer,
and in the field of view I saw a
glittering drop-earring—two
jewel points, one golden-hued,
the other pale blue. Millions of
miles separated the two great
suns, which were yet bound to-
gether by the invisible chain of
gravitation.

And next it was Nova Her-
culis, the star which blazed out
suddenly in December 1934.
Through the little eye-lens shone
a lamp of purest emerald. A
point of light only. No tele-
scope yet made will show the
true disc of a star.

Unlike most Novae, this star
in the constellation Hercules re-
fuses to sink back into obscurity,
and it is now but little fainter
than it was a year ago.

A gentle nudge of the tele-
scope, and I came upon a great
scattering of diamonds, the
"grand light-stain"—as Sir Ro-
bert Ball once called it—of the
Hercules star-cluster.

There are 50,000 stars or more
in this group, and I was (and
still am) hurrying towards them
at some twelve miles a second.
But as they are a little matter of
204,299,360,000,000,000 miles
away . . .

Faces upturned in a South
London garden . . . leaves whis-
pering . . . terrestrial tea and
sandwiches and cakes waiting . . .

Says She Was Sold For £30

A 19-YEAR-OLD American girl
has just revealed to the San
Francisco police how she was sold
as a white slave for £30.

Following her revelations, police
made 40 arrests in lightning raids on
white slave dens in San Francisco
and cities round the Bay.

Among those arrested were several
policemen, it is stated, but names
are being withheld (reports the
Daily Herald San Francisco cor-
respondent).

The story of the 19-year-old girl,
Jeanne Marjorie Walters, is borne
out by another girl, aged only 15.
Film-struck, Jeanne left home for
Hollywood, but her money ran out,
she took a job as a barmaid, and
was tricked by a man called Mc-
Gregor into white slavery.

"He offered me a job," she de-
clared, "but actually he sold me for
£10."

Moved continually from one place
to another, she was kept under
watch all the time—until the day
when she managed to escape and
tell her story to the police.

Raiders Spent Three Hours Over Formosa

CHINESE AIR FORCE NOW STRONG ENOUGH TO TAKE OFFENSIVE

Nanchang Watches Combats As Three Enemy Raiders Plunge to Earth Aflame

Hankow, Feb. 26.

It is definitely felt that Chinese aerial strength is now sufficient not only effectively to defend, but also to attack. Further information of Formosa raids indicated that the Chinese bombers spent almost three hours over the island and destroyed planes and hangars at Matsuyama and a large power station at Shinjiku.

Chinese and foreign pilots who participated in the raid, stated there was almost a total absence of anti-aircraft fire, belying the stories that the Formosa fortifications were keeping pace with those in Hongkong.

The latest reports from Nanchang state that the wrecks of three Japanese planes which were shot down yesterday have been located. Officials and the populace are scouring the countryside for the others.

The latest victory of the Chinese air force for which Russian aviators, based by Nanchang, were probably mostly responsible, has been greeted with wild enthusiasm in Hankow. All boardings are covered with posters and slogans of "Long Live Our Glorious Air Force."—United Press.

Japanese Version

Shanghai, Feb. 26. A Japanese communiqué states that 50 Japanese planes yesterday shot down 30 Russian and American machines at Nanchang.

Chinese reports state Russian pilots shot down eight of the raiders and did not mention Chinese losses. However, the Chinese claimed a victory.—United Press.

Intensified Air War

Shanghai, Feb. 26. While the forces on the ground are locked on several battle fronts, both the Chinese and Japanese have intensified the war from the skies.

Outstanding developments yesterday were large-scale reprisals for the Chinese air raid on Formosa on February 23. According to Chinese reports, 50 Japanese planes, including 30 bombers, yesterday morning raided Nanchang, capital of Kiangsi.

Chinese reports state that Chinese planes engaged the raiders, bringing down eight machines, three of which have already been located, while the remaining five fell some distance from Nanchang.

Thousands of people watched the breath-taking dog-fights and saw with fascinated horror, mingled with jubilation, three Japanese planes crash to the ground.

Interesting sightings of yesterday's air battles came from Hankow, where, it is stated, the fights marked the first active appearance of the British Gloucester "Gladitor" planes.

Chinese aviation authorities say the British machines performed very satisfactorily, and the Japanese losses doubtless would have been higher if the Chinese pilots had had longer training and the machine-guns on the planes did not require adjustment.

It is reported that a Chinese plane was sighted flying high over Shanghai early yesterday evening in the direction of Woosung, while two Chinese machines are stated to have been seen going the same way yesterday morning.

Renewed raids on Japanese occupied areas around Shanghai, and possibly a renewed attempt to sink the Japanese flagship, Izumo, which at one time was a much coveted target, are indicated.—Reuter.

30 Planes in Raid On Formosa

Hankow, Feb. 26. Altogether 30 Chinese planes, all bombers, participated in the Formosa raid on Wednesday. It was revealed by a Government spokesman this morning. All the pilots were Chinese while the machines were of Soviet manufacture. They were the new type, very fast, and capable of long flights.

The first objective was the Matsuyama military airfield in Taihoku, where at least 40 machines on the ground, a number of hangars and huge oil tanks were destroyed.

Huge columns of smoke were seen to rise from the ground by the pilots, who flew on to Shinjiku and bombed the power plant situated outside the city. The Chinese pilots reported that vast clouds of smoke were still visible three and a half hours after the bombing.

The defenders must have been surprised as no Japanese planes took the air and no anti-aircraft guns went into action.—Reuter.

Town Bombed Out Of Existence

Taiyang, Anhwei, Feb. 26. Hengshanchiao, a rural town north-

MR. EDEN UTTERS WARNING

History May Prove Government Wrong

London, Feb. 26.

Speaking at Leamington, Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, explained his reasons for resigning and emphatically denied the suggestion that it was due to some extent to ill-health. He said his decision had been taken because of the conviction that no other course was open to him. He was more than ever convinced that the decision was a right one.

The course the Government had chosen indicated the sincerity of its desire to reach an agreement, but it was not necessarily a wise judgment of international affairs. He could not help feeling that it was perfectly possible to stand firm and obtain the same results, if they were obtained, without the risks attending the present course.

He was deeply anxious as to whether it would be an agreement on a solid basis, or an agreement, if they could get it, regardless of the basis.

The Government's decision had been made, and Parliament had endorsed it. The Government must go ahead and he sincerely wished it success. He stood by every word he had said in the House of Commons. He definitely formed the opinion last week-end that the meaning of certain communications he received from a foreign Government was "no or never." His view was not changed, but he was prepared to press his colleagues on this important issue of interpretation, for he did not believe it to be in national interests. He appreciated the impossibility of publishing relevant documents at present, and he was content to await the verdict of history.—Reuter Special.

Anglo-Eire Talks Make Slow Progress

London, Feb. 26.

The present stage of the Anglo-Eire talks ended this evening when trade discussions at the Dominions Office were adjourned without having concluded examination of the trade questions.

It is stated in British circles that although the trade talks occupied the greater part of the time, owing to the great amount of detail involved, discussion on all subjects under review was still proceeding.

Although it is too soon to forecast the success of the talks, it is regarded as a hopeful sign, that Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are returning to London to resume the discussions next Thursday.—Reuter.

EIRE MINISTERS RETURN

London, Feb. 26. Mr. De Valera and his colleagues are returning to Dublin tomorrow as their presence is required in connection with internal affairs. They will return to London on Wednesday, and discussions with the United Kingdom will be resumed on Thursday.

During to-day, Ministers of the government of Eire and the United Kingdom had been discussing questions relating to the trade agreement. During the absence of the Ministers of Eire discussions between officials of the two governments will continue.

Mr. De Valera arrived in London last Saturday, but opening of the talks fixed for Monday was delayed by parliamentary calls on Mr. Chamberlain's time, arising out of Mr. Eden's resignation.—British Wireless.

GRAVES MUST BE REMOVED

In the Government Gazette this morning notices are given of the intention to make orders in six months time for the removal of all graves named below for the purpose of properly laying out the areas as Chinese burial places:

Removal from the Tung Wah Hospital Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1928.

Removal from Shum Wah Cemetery, Aberdeen of all bodies buried before 1924.

Removal from Section A in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 3 (Chung-shan Cemetery) of all bodies buried during 1930 and 1931.

Removal from Sections B and C in Mount Caroline Cemetery of all bodies buried during 1930; from Section A of bodies buried during 1931; from Tung Wah Hospital, Eastern Extension, of bodies buried during 1931.

ON UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A notification in this morning's Government Gazette states that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow to be an additional Member of the Council of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.

FASTER TRAVEL PROMISED

Imperial Airways' New Programme

London, Feb. 26.

The feature of the Imperial Airways summer programme, so far as speed and comfort of flying are concerned, will be the bringing into service of the new fast luxury planes. In the new air liners, weighing when fully-loaded approximately 20 tons, accommodation will be provided in sumptuously equipped saloons for 40 passengers, while the new four-motored express aircraft, which are to operate on the Paris route, will have the distinction of being the fastest passenger planes of their type so far produced.

The growing scope of European air travel will be illustrated strikingly this summer by distances passengers will be able to travel during the course of a single day's flying. Leaving Croydon in the morning for example, and flying northward, passengers will alight the same evening at such a distant point as Oslo. By another route flying from London and changing half way Rome will be reached the same evening. Venice will also be within a day's flying of London.—British Wireless.

Farmers Riot, Kill Officials

Hankow, Feb. 26.

A riot staged by a group of farmers at an agricultural experimental station at Chinkow, southwest of Wuchang, on February 23 resulted in five persons killed and 36 injured and several buildings destroyed.

The farmers, who bitterly oppose the establishment of the station, set fire to its buildings and attacked its staff. Chen Cheng-hsien, and Yang Ching-shen, director and vice-director of the station respectively, were killed in the fire. Three staff members were beaten to death by the rioters, whilst 36 others were injured.

The riot was suppressed only upon the arrival of troops. Several ring-leaders were arrested and escorted to the Wuchang military prison for questioning.—Central News.

LOYALISTS REVOLT

REFUSE TO GO TO TERUEL

Paris, Feb. 26.

It is reported from Perpignan that part of the Loyalist garrison revolted at Barcelona on the grounds that it was a useless sacrifice to go to Teruel.

A report from St. Jean de Luz states: "The Loyalist garrison commander is saying that agitation has been renewed throughout Catalonia, chiefly at Figueras, where, it is reported, 30 have been killed and wounded in riots."—United Press.

FIRE SPREADS RAPIDLY

Fire broke out in the first floor of No. 527 Canton Road, yesterday, and spread rapidly to the second and third floors. Firemen controlled it after a stiff fight. Damage cannot yet be estimated. It is thought that the fire commenced through a lighted oil lamp, which had been hanging on a wooden partition, spilling.

The first floor was occupied by Chau Lin, a woman, and the whole premises is insured by the Hongkong Land Investment Company.

COUNTERFEITING CHARGES

Charges concerning the counterfeiting of five cent mixed metal pieces were preferred against four men when they appeared before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Giving their names as Lo Wan, 28, knitter, Li Yuen-yai, 28, Lo Shek-on, 22, and Chung Loi, 30, all spinners, they were charged with (a) making three counterfeit five cent pieces at Po Kong Village, Kowloon City, on or about February 24 and (b) being in possession of nine moulds.

The third man was also charged with the possession of the three counterfeiters. At the request of Detective Sergeant D. G. MacPherson all defendants were remanded for three days.

TREASURY BILLS TENDERS

London, Feb. 26.

The total amount applied for in tenders for £2,000,000 Treasury Bills was £2,029,000. The average rate per cent, for bills at three months was 10/13/4 as against 10/10/4 a week ago.—British Wireless.

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Rugby Football: Scotland v. Ireland

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s. 0.52 m.c.s. per second.

7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00 Schumann—Trio in D Minor. Op. 63.

Played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals. 7.32 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.35 Spanish Music. If I could forget your eyes (Sandoval-Albeniz).....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor); Spanish Dance No. 3 (Granados).....Triana (Albeniz).... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens; Granada (Albeniz and Guenard); Danza 5 (Granados and Munoz Lorente).... Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano); Danza Española No. 6 (Granados).... Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.03 Songs by Grace Fields. One of The Little Orphans of The Storm (Hill "Queen of Hearts"); Queen of Hearts (from the film); I Haven't Been The Same Girl Since (Harper and Haines).

8.13 Variety. Cinema Organ—Melody in F (Rubinstein); Berceuse De Jocelyn (Godard); Edward O'Henry; Vocal—Hildegarde Looks Back....Hildegarde; Guitar—Dipsomania (Len Filla); Mood Ruby (Len Filla).... Len Filla; Comedian—George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Organ—With Sword and Lance—March (Starker); Blaze Away—March (Holzmann)....Reginald Dixon.

8.45 Local Sport Results. 8.50 London Relay—"London Log." 9.00 London Relay—The New Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra.

Conductor, William Pethers from the New Hippodrome Theatre, Coventry; The Savoy American Medley (Debury Somers); Katinka—Selection (Frime arr. Kiefer); For the Storm (arr. Lange); Forsaken (Grothe, arr. Weninger); The Doll Medley (arr. Michaeloff); Rustle of Spring (Sinding).

9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) (d) Tangos. 10.10 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.15 (a) Angel (b) Foggy Day; (c) Things are looking up (d) Nice work if you can get it.

10.30 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.35 (a) Scraping the toast (b) You're a Sweetheart; (c) My fine feathered friend (d) Get a new Pair of shoes.

10.50 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.55 London Relay—Scotland v. Ireland. A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match by H. B. T. Wakeham from Murrayfield, Edinburgh. (By courtesy of the Scottish Rugby Union).

12.30 Close Down.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

10.00-11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church. 1.00-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Paul's Church (Chinese).

12.15 Mendelssohn's Compositions. Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64..... Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; O Woodlands Far....Richard Taubert (Tenor); A May Breeze....Fritz Kreisler (Violin). Piano accompaniment by I'm A Roamer (from "Son and Stranger")....Malcolm McEachern (Bass); Song Without Words—F. Major; Hunting Song....Benno Moisevitich (Piano).

1.00 Time and Weather. 1.02 New Light Symphony Orchestra. Zampa—Overture (Herold); Scena Mauresque, Op. 10, No. 2 (Elgar); Intermezzo (Coleridge-Taylor); Prelude (Haydn Wood); Princess Ida—Selection (Sullivan).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act I. Sung by M. Sheridan (Sop.), I. Mannann (Mezzo-Sop.), Cecil (Ten.), Pail (Ten.), Weinberg (Bar.), Gail (Bass), Mainst (Bass) with Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus, Milan, conducted by Carlo Sabajno.

2.30 Close Down. 6.00-7.00 Chinese Programme. 7.00-Muriel Brunakill (Contralto) and Dennis Noble (Baritone). Silent Worship (from "Polemny")—Handel—arr. Somervell; I Bless The Dawn That Brought Me You (Glanville and Haydn Wood); Passing By (Herrick and Purcell); The Gentle Maiden (Boulton, Somervell)..... Dennis Noble; Songs of the Frigides—Kishmura Gullery (Kennedy-Fraser); The Banks of Allan Water (Old Scottish Ballad).....Muriel Brunakill.

7.27 Debussy—Pelleas and Melisande. Played by the Symphony Orchestra conducted by Piero Coppola.

7.40 Building A Debussy Programme by A. T. Lay (Piano). 1. The Children's Corner—Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum; 2. Bruyeres (from The Preludes); 3. L'Enfant Prodigue—Prelude; 4. Tere Arabesque; 5. Ballade.



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SHARP DECLINE IN SMALLPOX

Nineteen cases of small-pox were notified to the health authorities yesterday.

This is the lowest daily figure since February 7, and thus bears out the prediction of the Director of Medical Services, Dr. D. J. Valentine, that the epidemic is on the wane.

The cases reported yesterday bring the total since January to 804. Fourteen of the cases were reported from the residential area of Victoria, four from Kowloon and one from Shaukiwan.

In addition to small-pox, three cases of meningitis (two in Kowloon and one in Shaukiwan), two cases of dysentery (one each in Victoria and Kowloon) and two cases of measles were reported yesterday.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Chakankang, Akasa, President Grant, Chengshu, Taiwan, Futaba, Pingwa, Hakezaki Maru, Noxviana, Victoria, and Empress of Russia.

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ISLINGTON CORINTHIANS FIELDING REGULAR TEAM

PLAY CIVILIANS, COLONY OVER THE WEEK-END

SHERWOOD, READ MAKE FIRST APPEARANCES

(By "Abe")

In football, as in most other forms of sport, the element of surprise often plays a very important part in the winning of matches. The Islington Corinthians proved this once again when they swept the South China A.A. team off its feet by the speed of their play in their opening game in the Colony. But the tourists have already played twice here; will local teams, now that they have seen the Corinthians' type of play, do better in the remaining matches? This question will be answered during the week-end.

This afternoon, the visitors will be opposed to the Civilians, who have chosen quite a useful side. If the Chinese were so outclassed, I wonder how the Civilians will fare? However, if they succeed in forgetting the reputation of the visitors, they will do a lot better than most people would seem to think. The Services set about their task admirably on Sunday, and though they were eventually beaten 3-1, they showed that the tourists were not so superior to

been one of the most consistent half-backs in the Colony during the present season, and many felt that he should have been included in the civilian side before Lee Kwok-wai in the first place. It would be poetic justice if he is given his opportunity if Lee Kwok-wai has not yet fully recovered.

If Gough is played to-day, I think the intermediate line would be strengthened if he were put in the centre and "Sonny" Bliss, the captain, moved to the left. Bliss has played some excellent games at left-half, a position with which he is quite familiar although he does not regularly fill it; but on the other hand Gough would not be so at home as he has not played on the flank for many years.

It will be interesting to see how the civilian forwards get on against the rocklike defence of the Corinthians. Every one is an individualist, but if they get going together as a team they may do something yet.

BACK TO NORMAL

With the recovery of several of their men, the Islington Corinthians are fielding what is more or less their regular team. That is to say, all eleven men will be in their normal positions. Wingfield will be in goal, with Martin and Clark at back. The latter played on the right last week. The halves will be Wright, Whitaker and Bradbury, the intermediate line which, in the opinion of Tom Smith, their manager, is the best he has ever seen in amateur football. Sherwood and Read were tried out yesterday afternoon and were found to have recovered sufficiently from their injuries to be able to turn out this afternoon. Sherwood will take over Tarrant's place at centre-forward, Tarrant will go to inside right, and Read will be on the right wing. Avery and Pearce form the left flank.

The teams are as follows:—
Islington Corinthians: Wingfield; Martin, Clark (captain); Wright, Whitaker, Bradbury; Read, Tarrant.
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LEE KWOK-WAI UNFIT?

As far as I know, the civilian team will turn out as announced. The only doubt seems to be Lee Kwok-wai of South China "A", who is just getting over an attack of influenza, and may not have recovered sufficiently to play. I heard yesterday that Lee himself thought that in the interest of the team he should vacate his place at left-half to someone else. Whether this will be done or not I have no information at the time of writing.

Lee Kwok-wai played against the Islington Corinthians in London and, having seen them in action in the Colony, he is fully aware of the task ahead of a half-back. For this reason, he will probably stand down for a while.

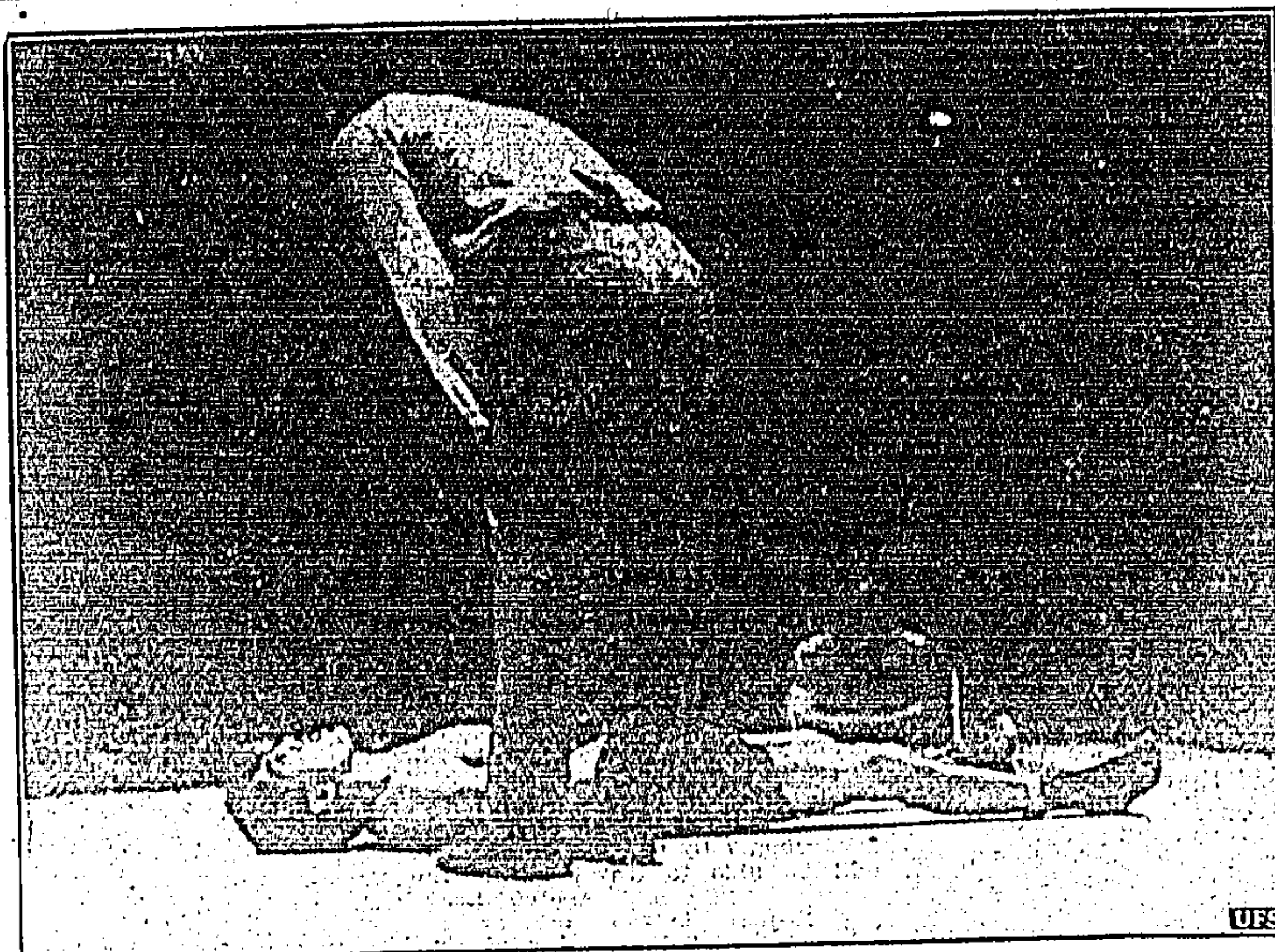
The local selectors could do no better, I think, than to give Gough of the Police his chance. Gough has



"Sonny" Bliss
Leads civilian team.



Sherwood
Sharp-shooter back again.



ITALIAN BOXER SUPINE—Question of whether Enrico Venturi, agile Italian featherweight boxer was fouled or knocked out arose in his clash with Henry Armstrong, who holds the world's featherweight crown, in New York. Hardly had Referee Arthur Donovan warned Armstrong against fouling, before Venturi sank to the floor, as above, face in pain. Donovan counted him out.

GOLF IS GREATEST GAMBLE IN SPORT

Said To Be Most Difficult Game To Forecast

By Jack Cuddy

New York, Feb. 17.

What is the greatest gamble in sports? During the past decade any number of people have asked me that question, and my answer always has been the same: "Golf."

Competitive golf is the hardest of all sports to figure. Form means nothing in this game of the fairways and greens. And it costs a certain party plenty of money to learn this. I am referring to old Jack Doyle, the Broadway prize maker. I figure "Old Man Broadway" just about broke even on his wagers on sports during the past 40 years. But Jack will tell you he never made a dime on golf.

But Doyle still has plenty of money that he garnered from the stock market—about which he knew nothing at all. And he will have if he quits golf, says Bob Brumby, golf expert of the New York Daily News. Brumby says Montague is a great club golfer—a chap who will go out in almost any foursome and "go to town." But when the chips are down in a tourney and the crowd is pressing on the ropes, Brumby says Montague will not win any big tournaments.

GREAT GAMBLE

Because of this great gamble in golf, I figure it is safe for me to predict that none of the champions of 1937 has much chance of repeating his triumphs excepting that swashbuckling British golfer, Henry Cotton, who won the British open.

Why is Cotton the most likely to repeat? Simply because his mental hazard is less than that of other noteworthy contenders. Cotton is a tall, willowy cold-blooded chap, who takes tourney in stride.

He rides up to the first tee in a custom built car with a licensed chauffeur. He takes off his camel-hair coat and gets down to business. When the match is over—win or lose—he climbs back into that car and heads for the lurid lights of London—or whatever town may be nearby where his Bond Street clothes can be appreciated.

ATTITUDE IMPORTANT

Ralph Guldahl, the 1937 U.S. open champion, has 46-50 mental attitude, I am quite certain. Ralph is a man whose open triumph lifted him, his wife and little son, Buddy, right off poverty row. They say the U.S. open is worth \$50,000 to the winner, through the open money and the sport goods manufacturers' emoluments, etc. When Ralph finishes that open again, he will know what is at stake. And that probably will result in his downfall.

But Guldahl wants to win. Yet there are at least 40 top-flight golfers capable of beating Ralph during the 72-hole grind. Uncle Sam's open is probably the toughest competition in all sports. Few realize that the best for 12 hours during that tourney. They must beat down with everything they have an average of three hours for each of the 18 holes—because of crowd conditions, etc. This pressure often rips perfect golfers and lets someone slide through to the title who has not concentrated on the importance of winning—and particularly upon the importance of losing.

You can figure the percentage against Guldahl, when you consider the calibre of players most likely to succeed him. Sammy Snead, Harry Cooper, Horton Smith, Jimmy Thompson, Dick Metz, Denny Shute, Lawson Little, and Ed Dudley—United Press.



Henry Cotton
Cold-blooded?

COLONY TENNIS STARTS

Opening Schedule On Monday

The Tennis Championships of the Colony, organized annually by the Hongkong Cricket Club, will commence on Monday, February 28. Matches for the whole week have been arranged by the Committee and are now posted on the notice-board in the club-house.

The opening programme contains six matches in the singles and three in the doubles.

The week's matches are as follows: **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28.**
Singles:—Marland v. A. Crawford; Leung Ping Chiu v. H. Y. Ho; S. A. Rumlahn v. Major F. T. Baines; F. A. Broadbridge v. W. A. Land; F. V. Harrison v. P. S. Leong; E. C. Fincher v. Ma Nai Kwong.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1.
Doubles:—Luk Ding Cheung and Wong Shiu-wing v. A. and H. Chan; M. W. and M. K. Lo v. D. K. Leung and D. Szeto; A. Warr and W. A. Land v. F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2.
Singles:—J. P. L. Smalley v. I. M. A. Razack; Cdr. R. H. Rump v. J. C. Pool; Tsui Wai Fui v. W. J. Skinner; Cheung Ping Yeung v. Tennis Wong; W. C. Hung v. Tonnie Wong.

Doubles:—G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. Wei Chung and Pang Oi-lam; H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce v. Lelsen Lew and Peter U; A. C. I. Bowyer and W. M. Burton v. H. B. Bulpin and F. A. Fowler; Paul Kong and Lee Wai-long v. Ip Cho Fong and Lui Kwai-fan.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3.
Singles:—B. Agafuroff v. Wei Chung; M. A. Warr v. Wong Shiu Wing; G. W. Drysdale v. Pang Oi Wing. (Continued on Page 9.)

Brouillard Loses By Knockout

Jack Fox Stops Him In Tenth Round

Boston, Feb. 18.

Tiger Jack Fox, leading negro contender for world light-heavyweight honour, to-night became the first boxer ever to knock Lou Brouillard out.

The heavy-hitting Spokane fighter flattened the French-Canadian in the last round of the ten-frame fight. Brouillard, former world middle-weight champion, quit the 160-pound ranks some months ago and was progressing favourably in the heavier division until running up against the powerful negro.

Fox, generally ranked as the third best light-heavyweight fighter to-day, only suffered a single defeat during 1937. He lost to Al Garner, another negro, but he scored eleven knockouts in seventeen starts.—United Press.

UNDERGRADS BECOME THE RUNNERS-UP

Beat St. Andrew's In Mixed Doubles Badminton

By defeating St. Andrew's in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League at the Eu Tong-sen Gymnasium last evening, University made certain of finishing runners-up to Club de Recreio "A" in the League. They won their match comparatively easily, conceding only two games during the evening.

The undergraduates found their opponents rather weak on the whole. Even the strongest St. Andrew's pair, W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes, could take only one game. M. Weill and Miss F. Wong did well to beat K. L. Yong and Miss Woo.

Scores:—
T. F. Yong and Miss U. Khoo (University) beat H. Kew and Miss M. Churn 21-2; beat M. Weill and Miss F. Wong 21-3; beat W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes 21-14.

F. K. Hul and Miss J. Choa (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-6; beat Weill and Miss Wong 21-13; beat Choy and Mrs. Stokes 23-20.

K. L. Yong and Miss Woo (University) beat Kew and Miss Churn 21-16; lost to Weill and Miss Wong 23-24; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 12-21.

RECREIO "B" v. TAIKOO

Playing at home at King's Park last night, Club de Recreio "B" defeated Taikoo Recreation Club by six sets to three.

Scores were as follows:—
A. M. da Silva and Mrs. J. Noronha (Recreio) lost to G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers 13-21; beat S. Newman and Miss J. Summers 21-8; beat C. Bovaard and Miss E. Pollock 23-21.

N. da Silva and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) lost to Smith and Miss Summers 21-17; beat Bovaard and Miss Pollock 21-17.

L. A. L. da Silva and Miss C. Boleho (Recreio) lost to Smith and Miss Summers 21-17; beat Newman and Miss Summers 21-17; lost to Bovaard and Miss Pollock 17-21.

RECREIO "A" v. FREE LANCES
Visiting the Seamen's Institute last night, Club de Recreio "A" defeated Free Lances by six sets to three.

Scores:—
J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths (Free Lances) beat M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 21-13; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 20-23; beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 21-10.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clark (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 8-21; lost to Remedios and

Miss Ribeiro 11-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-18.
A. L. Fisher and Miss N. Eardley (Free Lances) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 7-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 16-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 12-21.

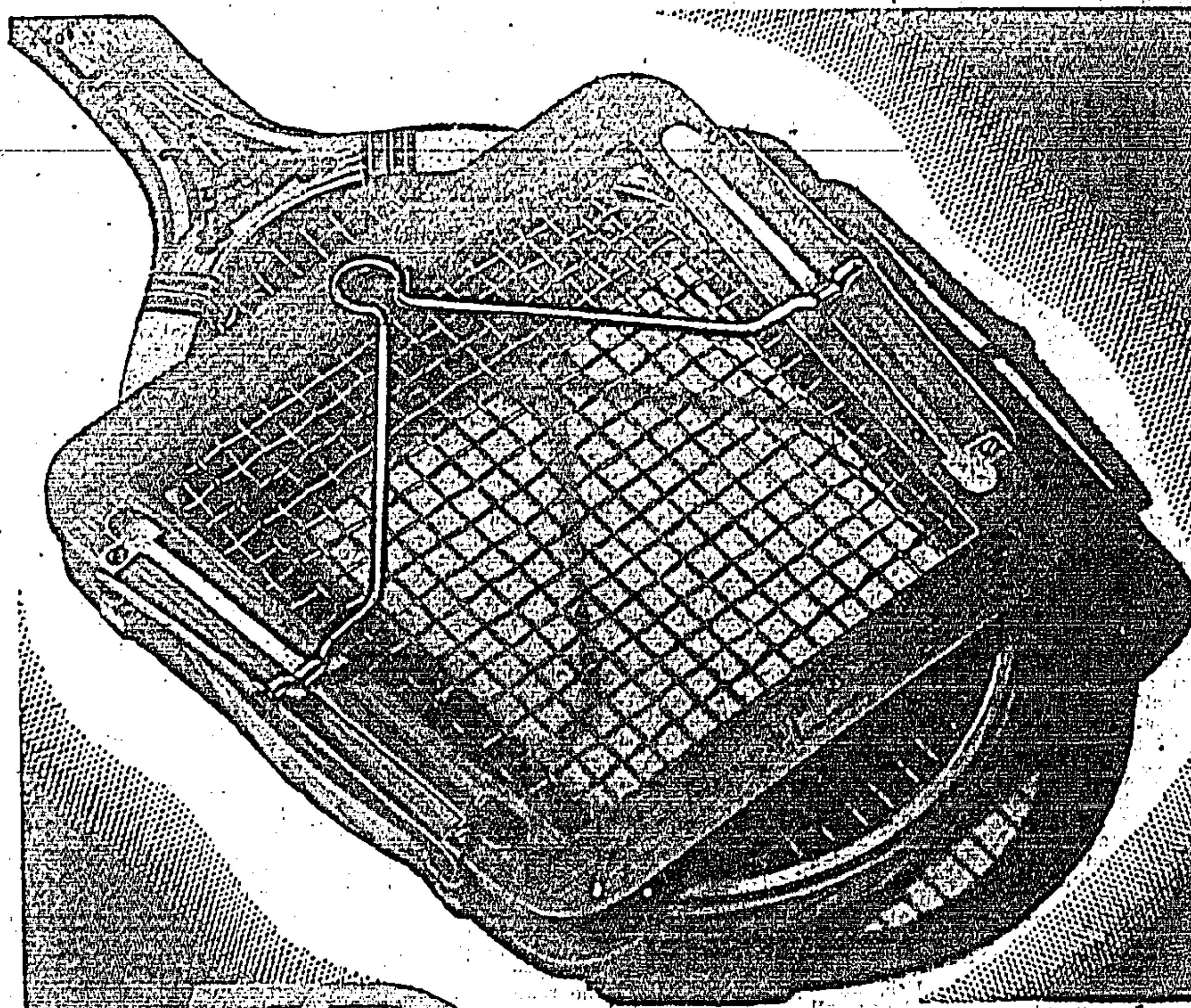
VON CRAMM ADMIRES BROMWICH

Young Australian Coming On

London, Jan. 18.
"Young John Bromwich can now be definitely regarded as one of the great players of the day," said Gottfried Cramm, the German player, in a broadcast at Sydney, New South Wales, in which Cramm, his compatriot, H. Henkel, and the Americans, J. D. Budge and G. Mako, took part.

"I had lost to Bromwich in Germany, but he did not impress me then on the hard courts," he said. "But he has impressed me here. I have never seen anyone hit such clean winners out of impossible positions. His two-handed shot is one of the best in the world, and is not far behind Don Budge's backhand drive.

"When I went on to the court in a recent match, I decided to play to his forehead so as to keep him from making me run. My tactics were to attack him as much as I could. I had good touch on both hands, and did not fear baseline duels. I waited my chance, and then went to the net to finish off the rally with Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 21-13; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 20-23; beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 21-10.
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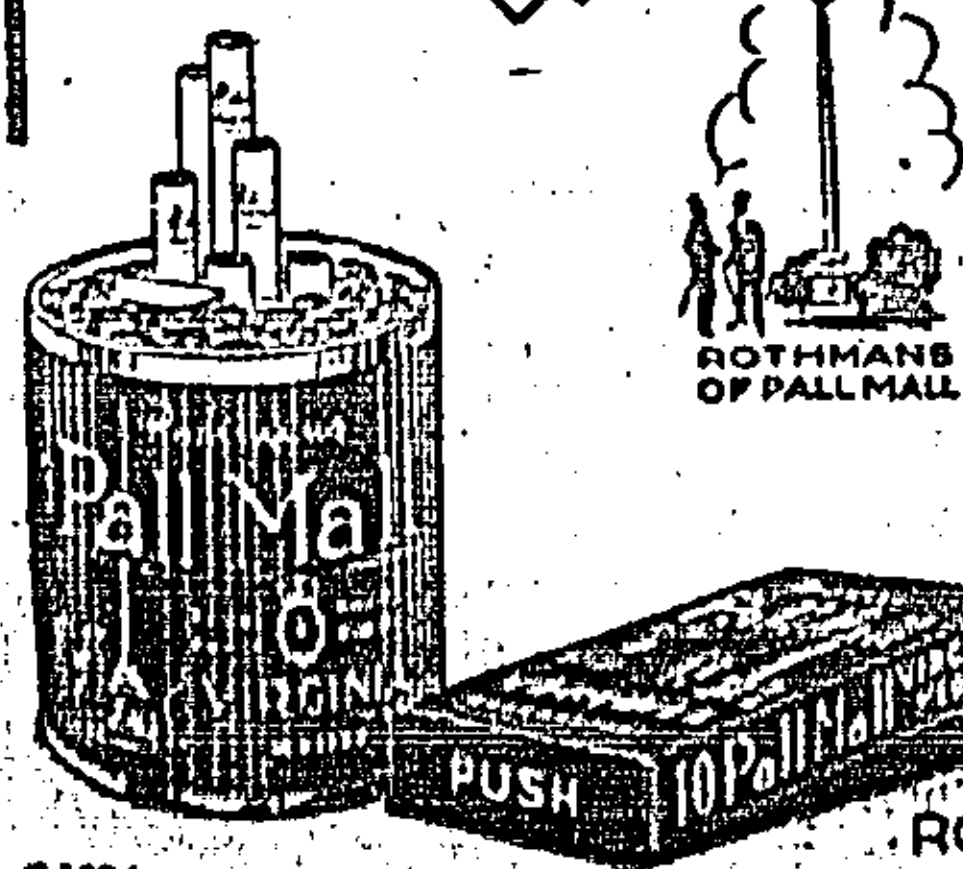
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Anticipated Hong Kong Deficit Turns To Surplus

COLONY'S MILITARY CONTRIBUTION SETS ALL-TIME HIGH MARK

Assets At Highest Level In Years, Report Shows

Military contributions by Hongkong last year reached an all-time record of \$5,686,415.

Government pensions, \$2,559,809, and expenditure on the Police Department, \$3,109,696, were also records.

Despite increased expenditure under these headings, the Colony's revenue during 1937 proved so buoyant that an estimated deficit of \$3,498,910 became a surplus of \$1,085,146, bringing the assets of the Colony, \$14,002,278, to the highest level in many years.

Financial returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the year 1937, issued this morning, disclose increased revenue over 1936, under every heading except Port and Harbour Dues. The estimated revenue of \$28,760,250 was exceeded in every head. Actual revenue was \$33,196,368.

Estimated expenditure of \$32,259,160 was higher by \$147,938 than actual expenditure.

Surplus for the year was maintained despite a falling off of revenue in December, when the total of \$2,021,210 was less by \$140,151 than in the corresponding period last year.

There was an appreciable falling off of revenue during the last month of the year in Duties and Miscellaneous Receipts.

For the year 1937 revenue from Duties totalled \$7,023,411, compared with \$6,028,072 in 1936. Estimated revenue of \$6,415,000 was therefore exceeded by \$605,411.

Port and Harbour Dues, which were estimated to yield \$635,000, yielded \$625,084, compared with \$638,282 in 1936. Licences and Internal Revenue not otherwise specified yielded \$14,102,207, an increase of \$35,093 over last year, and over a million dollars in excess of estimated revenue.

Post Office receipts reached a record of \$3,254,390, which represents an increase of no less than \$1,195,510. It is interesting to note that this increase in post office revenue exceeds the entire Colony surplus.

Revenue from the Kowloon Canton Railway, despite heavy anticipated loss of business through the closure of Shum Chun gambling establishments, proved exceedingly buoyant. The 1937 revenue of \$1,345,409 was exceeded by \$52,471, despite the fact that revenue of only \$1,100,150 was estimated at the beginning of the year.

Rent of Government Property, Land and Houses increased from \$1,245,460 to \$1,725,848, and Miscellaneous Receipts increased from \$977,077 to \$1,103,719.

LAND SALES JUMP

Total revenue, exclusive of Land Sales, was \$43,007,004, against \$29,773,733 in 1936. For the first time in many years Land Sales (Premium on New Leases) showed an increase, the revenue of \$329,403 representing a 90 per cent. increase over 1936. Revenue from this source was expected to yield only \$200,000.

In view of the heavy increase in expenditure, it is fortunate for the Colony that revenue proved so buoyant.

Expenditure of \$29,513,520 in 1936 was exceeded last year by \$2,587,702, principal increases being in Military Contributions, Public Works (Recurrent), the Medical Department, and the Post Office. Military Contributions touched a new all-time record of \$5,686,415, to which must be added \$103,373 for the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (an increase of \$18,005 over 1936) and \$20,220 for the Naval Volunteer Force (an increase of \$9,024 over 1936).

Pensions also reached a new record, totalling \$2,559,809 as compared with \$2,287,745 in 1936.

POLICE AND PRISON COST

Maintenance of law and order other than by the military and navy called for a record expenditure of \$3,109,696 for the Police, representing an increase of \$270,000 over 1936, and \$1,021,593 for the Prisons Department, an increase of \$135,742 over 1936.

The cost of education also mounted to \$17,002, the total expenditure being \$2,034,502, against an estimated expenditure of \$2,130,140.

Expenditure on new public works was severely slashed in order to provide the Colony's surplus. As against an expenditure of \$3,082,000 in 1936, only \$1,510,208 was expended under this heading last year.

The buoyancy of Hongkong's finances has brought the excess of assets over liabilities to \$14,002,278. The total assets are \$23,004,031, against which there are liabilities amounting to \$9,001,753, and temporary liability of approximately eleven million dollars, which has been advanced for new public works pending reimbursement from the balance of the 3½ per cent. Dollar Loan which remains to be floated.

JAPANESE REPORTS RIDICULED

Kidnapping Of Priests Story Said To Be Fabrication

Hankow, Feb. 26. Commenting on the Shanghai Japanese spokesman's allegation that Chinese guerrilla troops had kidnapped Spanish priests at Suifu and had taken them to Hotel, a Chinese spokesman said yesterday: "The Japanese spokesman's geography and his idea of our dispositions are both absurd. In the first place, Hotel cannot be reached so quickly from Suifu. Secondly, Hotel is garrisoned by regular troops and not guerrillas. The report is an obvious fabrication."

Commenting on the Japanese spokesman's remark that religious bodies in China were restricted and harassed as a result of the amalgamation of the Kuomintang and the Communists, the Chinese spokesman said:

"Foreign religious bodies help China in her struggle and care for the wounded and homeless. You yourselves have seen the prayer meetings for China's victory."

It is noteworthy that Commander Chiu Teh of the Eighth Route Army, known as the "Red Napoleon", attended the French Catholic victory prayer meeting in Shansi on February 10.—United Press.

COLONY TENNIS STARTS

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Lam: G. W. Sewell v. G. Choo; D. K. Leung v. T. E. Whibley. 200-metres—Jack Wierhauser, Olympic Club, San Francisco. 400-metres—Ray Malott, Olympic Club. 800-metres—Edward O'Brien, Syracuse. 1600-metres—John Woodruff, Pittsburgh. 3200-metres—Elroy Rimbson, Olympic Club. 6400-metres—Glenn Cunningham, N. Y. Curb Exchange A. A. 12800-metres—Joseph McCluskey, N. Y. C.

10,000-metres—Elroy Penttil, Millrose A. A., New York. 15,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass. 20,000-metres—Jean Berthelot, Millrose A. A. 30,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass. 40,000-metres—Mel Porter, Millrose A. A. Marathon—Pat Dengis, Baltimore. X-cross-country—Donald Lash, Indiana. Steeplechase—Floyd Lockner, St. Louis.

65-metre hurdles—Sam Allen, Oklahoma Baptist. 110-metre hurdles—Forest Gray, Town, Ge. 3000-metres walk—Max Beutel, New York. 200-metre hurdles—Allan Tolmich, Wayne University, Detroit. 400-metre hurdles—Jack Batterson, Rice Institute. 15-kilometre walk—John Abbott, Cincinnati. 30-kilometre walk—Morris Fischer, St. Anselm's A. C., New York. 50-kilometre walk—Al Mangano, Lowell, Mass. High Jump—Mel Walker, Ohio State. Broad Jump—Hermit King, Pittsburgh, Teachers' College. Hop-Step-Jump—William Brown, Baker, La., High School. Pole Vault—William Sefton, South California Sportsman's Assn. 16-pound shotput—Sam Francis, Nebraska. X-35-pound weight throw—Irving Folwarshy, Rhode Island State. X-55-pound weight throw—Louis Lepis, N. Y. A. C. 15-pound hammer throw—Irving Folwarshy. Discus throw—Phil Levy, Olympic Club. X-javelin throw—Alton Terry, Olympic Club. Pentathlon—Eutace Peacock, Temple. Decathlon—Richard Kearns, Colorado. X—named in same position last year.—United Press.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3.

Singles:—F. H. Kwok v. H. Chan; Wong Fuk-nam v. J. W. Leonard; Paul Kong v. Y. C. Lau; M. W. Lo v. Firdos Khan; Lee Wal-tong v. S. A. Gray. Doubles:—I. Agafroff and J. Pengelly v. T. E. Whibley and J. A. H. Douglas; C. P. A. Rump and L. Watt v. Major L. A. Newman and Major F. T. Baines; Taul Wal-pul and Taul Yan-pul v. Ng Kam Chuen and P. F. Choy; H. A. Barros and J. Goncalves v. Wong Fuk-nam and Cheung Ping-yung.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4.

Singles:—W. M. Barton v. F. V. Harrison; Taul Wal-pul v. A. Chan; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan; H. D. Bidwell v. H. J. Armstrong; H. D. Douglass v. W. Sander; S. A. Hussain v. H. D. Rumbach. Doubles:—Capt. J. C. Loch and Lt. J. M. Tomlinson v. winner of Vary and Lund v. Kwok and Liang; O. E. G. Marion and D. B. Evans v. winner of Lo and Leung v. Leung and Szeto; J. W. Leonard and G. Choo v. A. Crawford and G. C. Burnett.

AMBULANCE HITS CHILD OUTSIDE HOSPITAL DOOR

A little girl, Fun Yee, eight, was knocked down by a motor ambulance in Argyle Street yesterday, just outside the entrance to the Kowloon Hospital. She was taken to the hospital for treatment.

ON UNIVERSITY COURT

Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowling, O.B.E. and Mr. M. P. Tait, have been nominated by His Excellency the Governor as Members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.

JAPAN LINKING OCCUPIED AREA BY AIR SERVICE

Shanghai, Feb. 26. With three Japanese-controlled aviation companies pooling their resources, regular passenger services between the various cities in Central and North China now under Japanese occupation will soon be established, according to local Japanese sources. The companies concerned are the Japan Air Transport Company, the Huilung Aviation Company, and the Manchuria Air Transport Company. It is also proposed to inaugurate daily service between Shanghai and Tokyo.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CABINET MINISTER HURT

Tokyo, Feb. 26. The Japanese Finance Minister, Mr. Koya, was slightly hurt in a motor accident last night. He received cuts about the head in a collision and will require a fortnight's medical attention.

However, this will not prevent him from submitting the extraordinary military budget to the Diet Monday.—Reuter.

CHINESE LAUNCH NEW DRIVE ON CHUNGKING; CROSS YELLOW RIVER

(Continued from Page 1.)

bullets and hurled hand grenades at them. Several of them were destroyed and a large quantity of military supplies seized. Thirteen Japanese guards were killed.

The Japanese troops at Linhsien, Wu An, and Shensi in northern Honan, on the left bank of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, have been recently reinforced, presumably in preparation for drive westward into Shansi. Troop movements between these points have been extremely heavy during the last few days.—Central News.

REFEREE'S MEETING CANCELLED

On account of the "black-out" the half-monthly meeting of the Referees' Association which would normally take place on Monday has been cancelled.

Cunningham Retains His Standing

All-America Track Team Selected

New York, Jan. 30. Glenn Cunningham, Kansas' perennial miler, was named on Dan Ferris' All-America track and field team for the fifth straight year.

The A. A. U. secretary-treasurer who announces his annual selections in the Official Athletic Almanac, retained only 10 of the names from his 1937 honour team. In sharp contrast to last year's roster on which Jesse Owens' name was written opposite four events and Don Lash's name in three, the 1938 roll list only two athletes for dual performance.

Irving Folwarshy, the Rhode Island state giant, was chosen for the 16-pound hammer throw and the 35-pound weight throw, while Johnny Kelley, the distance star from Arlington, Mass., got the call in the 15,000 and 25,000 metre runs.

With six exceptions—20,000 metre run, marathon, 110 metre hurdle high jump, 16-pound shotput and javelin throw—Ferris' selections conform to the National Championship holders. His All-America follows:

60-metres run—Ben Johnson, Columbia.

100-metres—Ferris' Walker, New York A. C.

200-metres—Jack Wierhauser, Olympic Club, San Francisco.

400-metres—Ray Malott, Olympic Club.

800-metres—Edward O'Brien, Syracuse.

1600-metres—John Woodruff, Pittsburgh.

3200-metres—Elroy Rimbson, Olympic Club.

6400-metres—Glenn Cunningham, N. Y. Curb Exchange A. A.

12800-metres—Joseph McCluskey, N. Y. C.

10,000-metres—Elroy Penttil, Millrose A. A., New York.

15,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass.

20,000-metres—Jean Berthelot, Millrose A. A.

30,000-metres—John A. Kelley, Arlington, Mass.

40,000-metres—Mel Porter, Millrose A. A.

Marathon—Pat Dengis, Baltimore.

X-cross-country—Donald Lash, Indiana.

Steeplechase—Floyd Lockner, St. Louis.

65-metre hurdles—Sam Allen, Oklahoma Baptist.

110-metre hurdles—Forest Gray, Town, Ge.

3000-metres walk—Max Beutel, New York.

200-metre hurdles—Allan Tolmich, Wayne University, Detroit.

400-metre hurdles—Jack Batterson, Rice Institute.

15-kilometre walk—John Abbott, Cincinnati.

30-kilometre walk—Morris Fischer, St. Anselm's A. C., New York.

50-kilometre walk—Al Mangano, Lowell, Mass.

High Jump—Mel Walker, Ohio State.

Broad Jump—Hermit King, Pittsburgh, Teachers' College.

Hop-Step-Jump—William Brown, Baker, La., High School.

Pole Vault—William Sefton, South California Sportsman's Assn.

16-pound shotput—Sam Francis, Nebraska.

X-35-pound weight throw—Irving Folwarshy, Rhode Island State.

X-55-pound weight throw—Louis Lepis, N. Y. A. C.

RUSSIANS CHARGED

With Violations Of Its Frontiers

Hankow, Feb. 26. Illegal acts committed by the Soviet authorities and troops against Manchukuo territory and nationals during 1937 totalled 170, according to a spokesman of the Manchukuo Government to-day.

On 34 occasions the Soviets entered Manchukuo and 16 different times Soviet planes crossed the border, sometimes disguised as mail planes. It is also charged that the Russians have embarked on a campaign of espionage and agitation aiming at creating internal unrest in Manchukuo.

Newspapers here assert many Chinese student pilots are at present undergoing training at Vladivostok at the hands of Russian experts. The students will fly with the Chinese army ultimately, it is supposed.—Reuter.

Corinthians Fielding Their Normal Team

(Continued from Page 12.)

Sherwood, Avery and Pearce. Civilians—Sammy Tsang (East-ern); Mak Shu-hon (South China "A"); V. Costa (St. Joseph's); Leung In-chun (S. China "B"); A. S. Bliss (Kowloon); Lee Kwok-wai (S. China "A"); F. Fowler (Club); Wong Meesun (S. China "A"); D. Knox (Kowloon); Howlett (Police); B. I. Bickford (Club).

Reserves—Hussain (St. Joseph's); Gough (Police); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's) and Ward (St. Joseph's).

TO-MORROW'S GAME

To-morrow the tourists will play the Colony XI. In view of the failure of the Chinese last Saturday, it is to be hoped that the Hongkong representative team will do better and thus give a more favourable impression of local football to the visitors. Lee Tin-sang, the Colony captain, seems to think that the Corinthians' defence is not impenetrable, but from what I have seen of Clark and Co. the Colony forwards will have to get through their defence. And I don't mean maybe.

For instance, Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shu-wing and Fung King-cheung were all disappointing for South China last week and they are included in the Colony side to-morrow. Probably they will play better in this encounter. For the sake of the team, I sincerely hope they will. Saw and Hau Ching-to are a new combination, but both are extremely tricky individual players and may possibly form the more dangerous wing.

The Colony team is as follows:

Duncan (Royal Scots); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Ulrich (Kowloon); Williamson (Seaford); Lau King-chol (S. China "A"); Leung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); Yeung Shui-yick (S. China "B"); Lai Shu-wing (S. China "A"); Fung King-cheung (S. China "A"); Saw (Middlesex); Hau Ching-to (Eastern). Reserves: C. Pike (Police); Bright (Middlesex); Ferris and Chan Tak-tai (S. China "B").

PHILIPPINES BONDS NOT LEGAL FOR U.S. SAVINGS BANKS

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 26. In the opinion of the Attorney-General, Philippines bonds are not legal investment for the Connecticut Savings Bank because the United States Government has not guaranteed them.

He said: "All the protections thrown about these bonds by the United States doubtless make them a safe investment for insurance and trust companies, and individuals who are not governed strictly by the statutes as the savings banks are. But I cannot say these protections go so far as to constitute a pledge of guarantee."—United Press.

SWIMMERS TO VISIT AUSTRALIA

Sydney, N.S.W. Ralph Flanagan, American free-style champion swimmer, and Adolf Kiefer, holder of world backstroke records, are expected to tour Australia next season.

There is not likely to be a repetition of the complications which beset the visit of Jack Medina last season, as Flanagan and Kiefer will be under the direct control of the Australian Union.

South Africa is able to arrange exhibitions for the Americans, the Australian Union's financial obligations in the matter will be considerably reduced.—Reuter.

VESSELS IN PORT TO OBSERVE "BLACK-OUT"

Mariners are informed that a "black-out" exercise will take place between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. on February 28.

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MEXICO MAY SOON SETTLE DEBTS

Mexico City, Feb. 25. Settlement of the Mexican foreign debts, involving some \$900,000,000 worth of British money, is expected in the near future, according to Mr. George Rublee, representative of the International Committee of Bankers dealing with the Mexican problem.

Mr. Rublee stated that negotiations for the renewal of Mexican payments on foreign debts had proved satisfactory. An early settlement was likely after further conferences had been held in New York.—Reuter Special.

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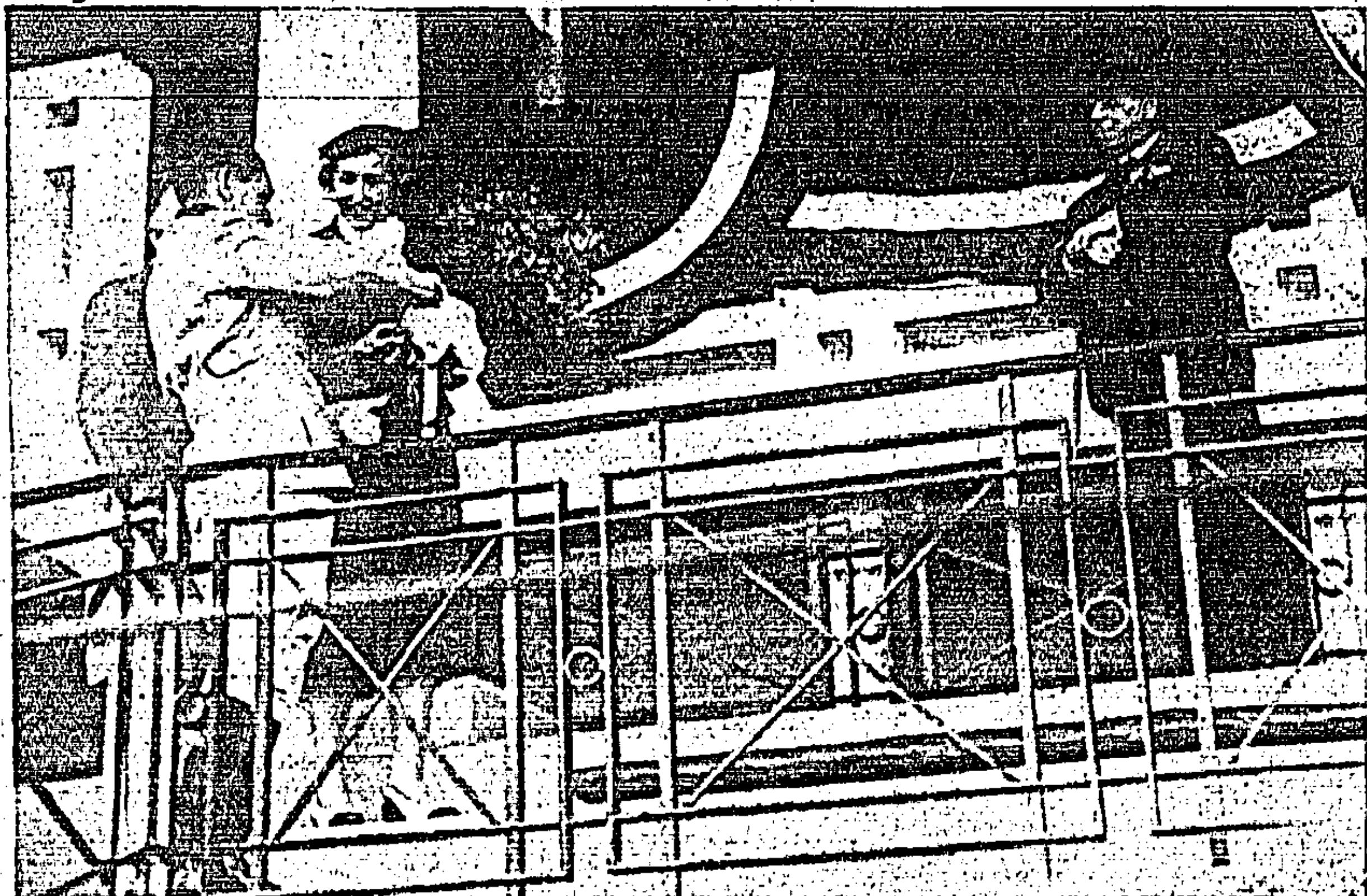
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HAPPENINGS
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GENTLEMAN WITH HIS BACK TO THE CAMERA must have a good tip, for the lady on the right seems pleased with what she heard.—Staff Photographer.



MISS JUDITH SMITH, daughter of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, presenting the Ladies' Purse to Mr. C. M. Encarnacao, while His Excellency the Governor looks on.—Staff Photographer.



Dr. Leo Ching wa and his bride, Miss Lily Tse-hang, who were married last Wednesday.



IT'S A TOUGH PROBLEM, and these ladies at Happy Valley are animatedly discussing it.—Staff Photographer.



THEY'RE OFF! and a seat on the lawn provides a grandstand view. Colonel N. M. S. Irwin, (right), Hongkong's Chief Defence Officer, found time to put in an appearance at the races.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. C. A. Olson and her daughter Rosemary, who sailed for England recently.

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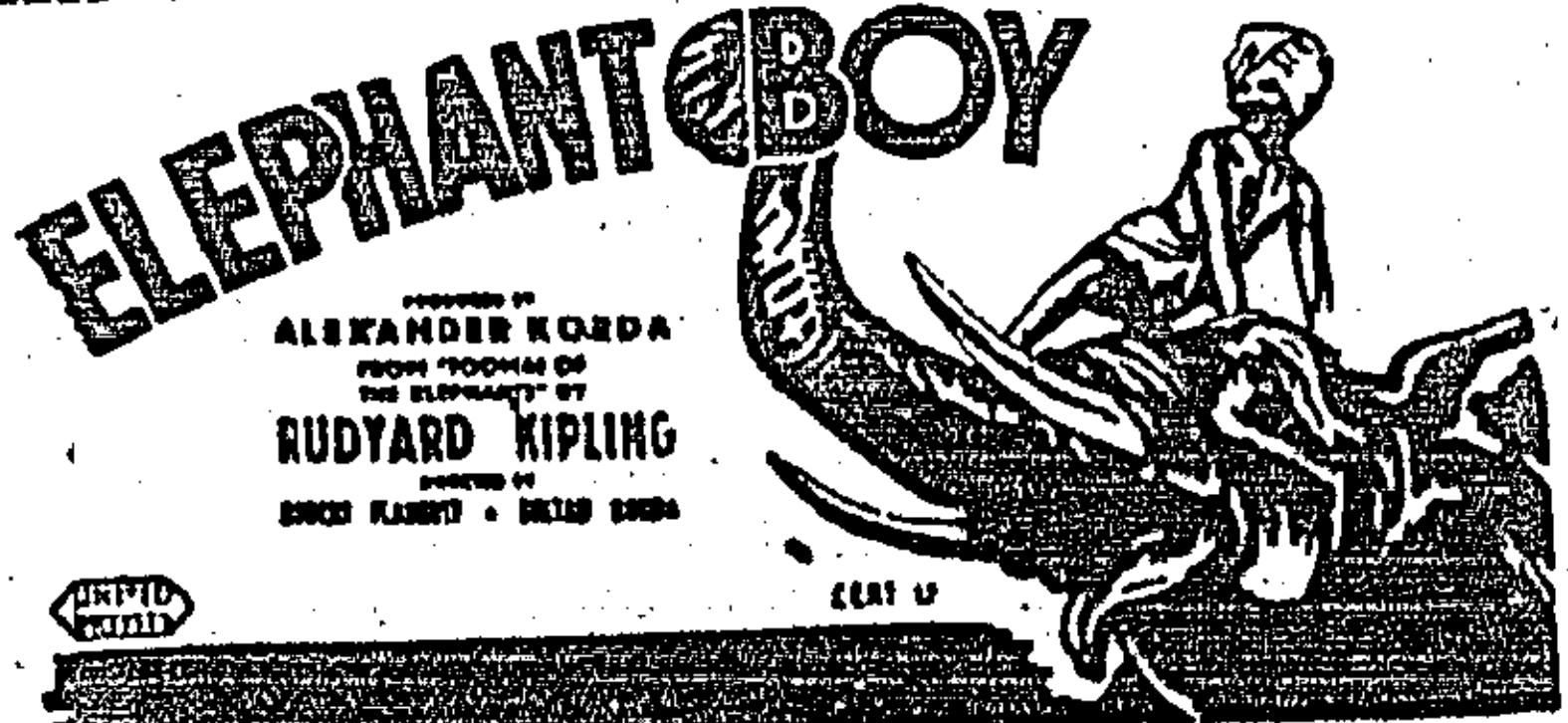
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London, Feb. 25. The remarkable response last year among young men eligible for service as pilots in the Royal Air Force to the announcement of an increased number of vacancies to be filled as a result of the Government air defence expansion programme, has been not only equalled, but beaten this year, when the number of vacancies was again larger.

The Air Ministry announces that although the number of pilots required by the Royal Air Force during the present year, which ends on March 31, reached the record figure of 1,750, the whole of that number had been obtained by the end of January.

Of the total, approximately 1,300 had been accepted from candidates from Civil Life, and the balance, in accordance with normal policy, are selected volunteers from serving airmen in the Royal Air Force.

The total number of pilots who had been entered since the expansion began in 1935, now exceeds 4,500.—British Wireless.

Manchukuo Mobilisation Measure To Be Enforced

Shanghai, Feb. 26. According to Domei's correspondent at Hankow, the Government's measure for the mobilisation of Manchukuo's entire materials and resources in a time of emergency is intended to function simultaneously with the Japanese measure of a similar nature, which, it is expected, will soon be adopted by the Diet.

The date of the enforcement of the Manchukuo measure will be announced later.—United Press.

DEATH OF JAPANESE PRINCESS

Tokyo, Feb. 26. The death occurred early this morning of the Dowager Princess Hisako Yamashina, aged 64, aunt of the present Empress of Japan. She was consort of the late Prince Kikumaro Yamashina, and had suffered from kidney trouble for the last three years.

The Emperor and Empress of Japan have sent messages of condolence.—United Press.

PILOT KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

Reno, Feb. 25. The cabin plane of Adolph Sprockles, Jr., crashed while taking off to-day. The pilot, Robert Hancock (62) was killed, and Louis Deruyter Sprockles Clinton, Adolph Sprockles' former wife, was seriously injured. The accident caused two other passengers to suffer cuts and bruises.—United Press.

BASEBALLER EARNS \$20,000 A YEAR

Cleveland, Feb. 25. Pitcher Allen has signed a new contract with the Cleveland Indians for two years, under which he will receive \$20,000 a year. It is believed he is the second highest paid baseball player in the United States.—United Press.

Season's Best Crowd Goes to Happy Valley

(Continued from Page 1.)

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Vibro Piling Company Did Good Business

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A note of optimism was sounded by the Chairman, Mr. S. M. Churn, at the annual meeting of the Vibro Piling Company Limited, held in the Jacobson Room, Hongkong Hotel, this morning, when he said that the present year had started under favourable conditions, and that if the Company should be successful in obtaining a fair share of the piling contracts during the year, a very good showing should be produced at the next meeting.

Better results should be shown, he said, as during the year the technical department of the Company was transferred to Messrs. Marmann, Hongkong China Limited.

Among those present were: Mr. S. M. Churn (Chairman), Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. J. J. Basto, Mr. G. B. Gifford Hull (Directors), Mr. F. E. D'Almeida Remedios (Secretary), and Messrs. E. W. Blackmore, Lam Chu-chuen, M. Well, L. Well, and C. H. Basto (Shareholders).

The Chairman said: The Report and Accounts having been in your hands for the period required by our articles, I will with your permission adopt the usual procedure and take them as read.

In directing your attention to the profit and loss account, which shows a profit of \$24,129.28, I would observe that no charge has been made to this account in respect of depreciation, the reason being that your directors are of the opinion that the amount of \$26,514.17 written off plant during the year as the result of the appropriation from profit and loss account which you approved at the last annual meeting, is about six times as much as what would have been required for depreciation this year.

Turning to the balance sheet, I think you will find the statement very straightforward, and will only expect me to comment that as the outcome of the reduction in capital which was effected during the year, the issued capital of the company now amounts to \$96,000 representing 32,300 shares of \$3.00 each.

INVITED TO BOARD
You will no doubt be interested to know, gentlemen, that during the year the technical department of the Company was transferred to Messrs. Marmann, Hongkong China Ltd., and arising out of this, Mr. Gifford Hull was invited to a seat on the Board, and our former manager, Mr. Blackmore, is now associated with Mr. Hull's Company. It is the hope of your Board that this arrangement will be fruitful of even better results for your Company than its past record shows, especially so as Messrs. Marmann have undertaken to work the Manila field on behalf of the Company.

In a business such as ours, it is difficult to forecast the future with any degree of accuracy, but I feel that I can, without undue optimism, say that the present year has started under favourable conditions, and if we should be successful in obtaining a fair share of the piling contracts which are likely to be placed during the year, we should be able to produce a very fair showing next year.

With these remarks, gentlemen, I formally propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented, and when this has been seconded, I shall gladly answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED

After the Chairman's report had been seconded by Mr. M. Well, the appointment of Mr. Gifford Hull as a director of the company was confirmed by those present.

Mr. R. H. Kotewall was then re-elected a director of the Company, while Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$400 per annum. A dividend of 10 per cent. on 32,300 shares, and payment of a bonus of 20 cents per share on 32,300 shares from the profit of \$24,129.28 will be payable next Monday on application.

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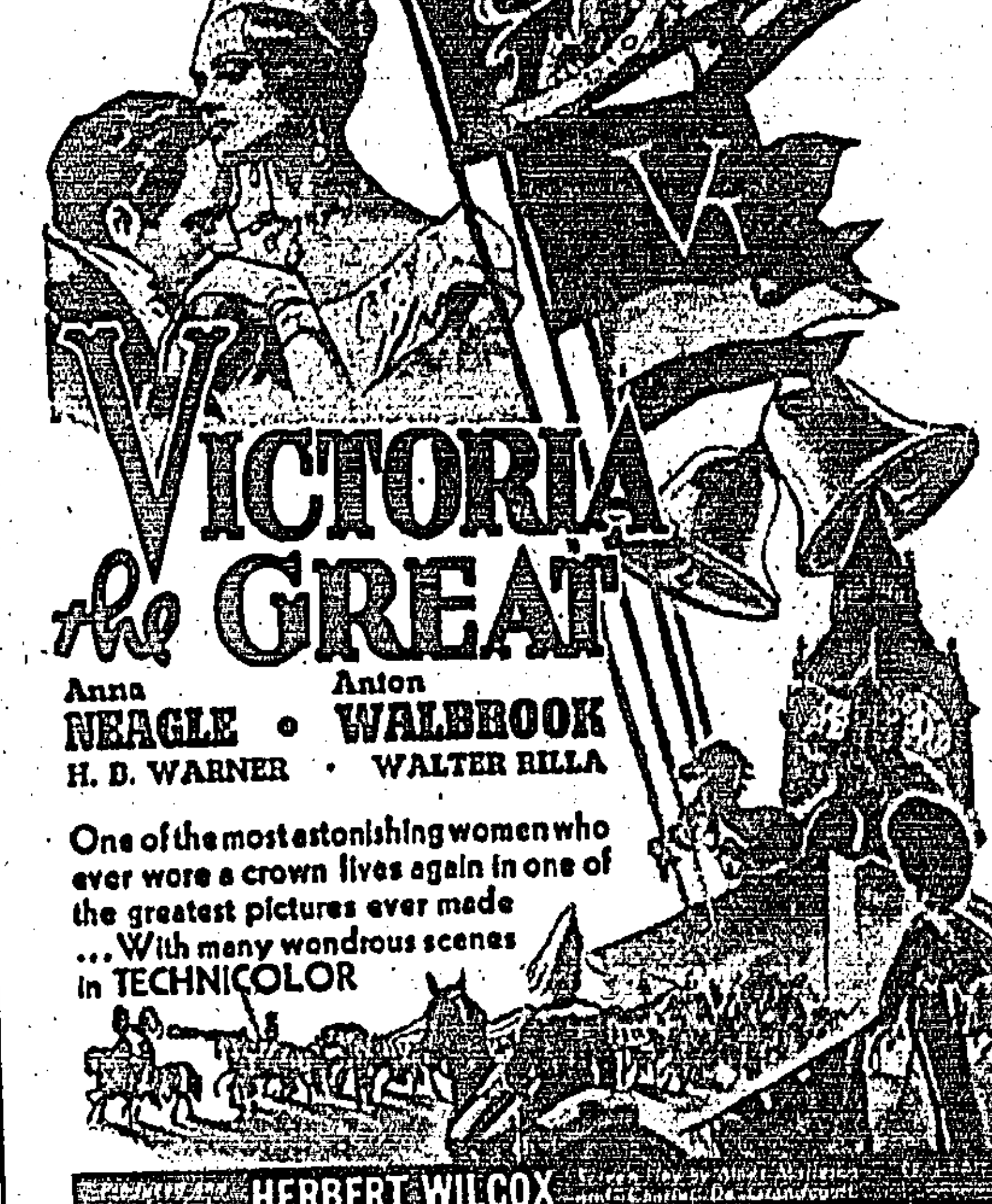
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Philippines Independence Discussions

Washington, Feb. 25. Well informed circles stated to-day that there might be reconsideration of the Philippines independence question because of the Orient crisis. They indicated that President Roosevelt holds the key to such reconsideration, since Congress members had asserted they would await recommendations by President Roosevelt before acting.

Quarried as to whether Mr. Paul McNutt, Philippines High Commissioner, had recommended reconsideration of Philippines independence status, President Roosevelt told the press that it had not been discussed yet. The conversations so far had only scratched at the surface.

Mr. McNutt privately held an informal conference with Filipino experts, but no decisions or commitments were made.—United Press.

Roosevelt Defends Battleships

Washington, Feb. 25. In a statement to the press to-day, President Franklin Roosevelt indicated that he regards the battleship as supreme in its field. Asked as to the vulnerability of battleships from the air, President Roosevelt drew attention to his congressional recommendations, in which he said he was convinced of the superiority of dreadnaughts.

Meanwhile Rear-Admiral Cook told the Naval Affairs Committee that 950 aeroplanes, which are part of President Roosevelt's programme, would cost \$100,000,000.—United Press.

R.A.O.C. ANNUAL DINNER

The R.A.O.C. Association's first annual dinner will take place this evening in Hotel Cecil. The dinner will be followed by a smoking concert.

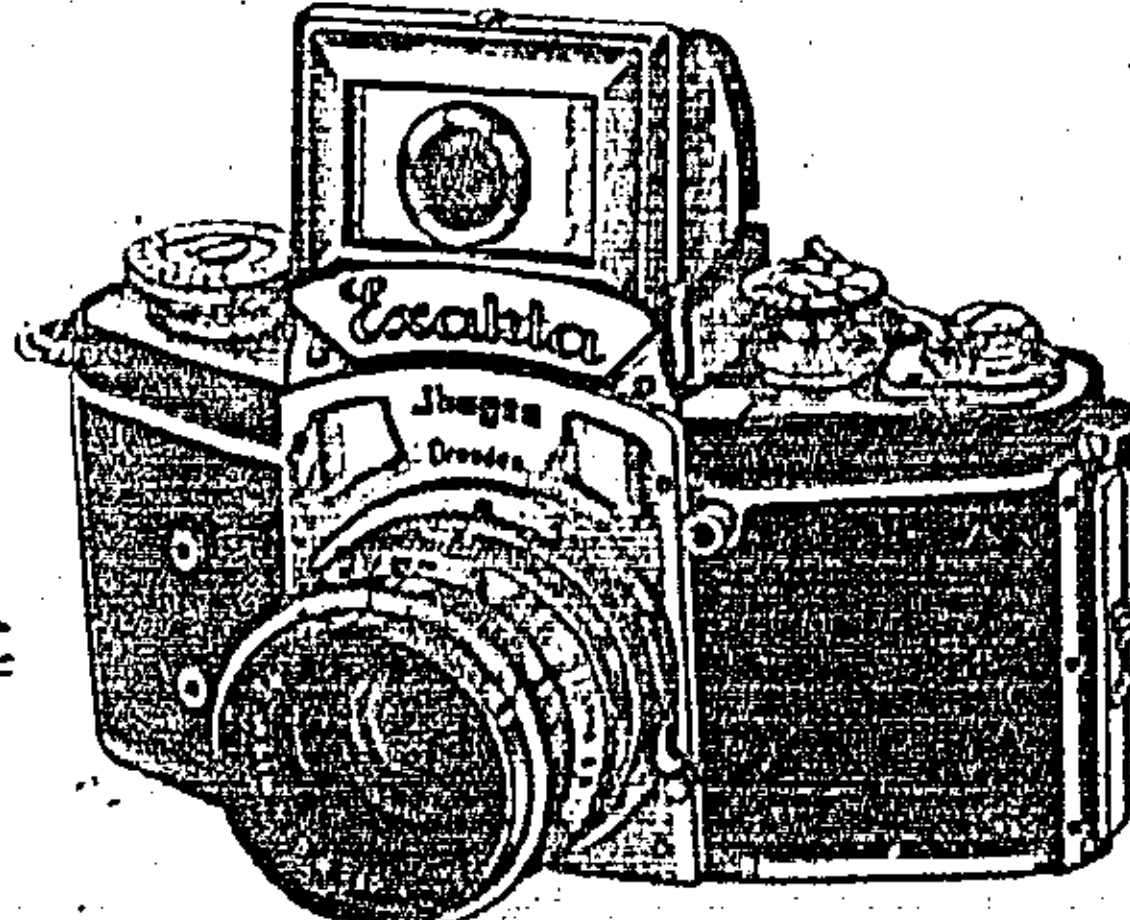
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